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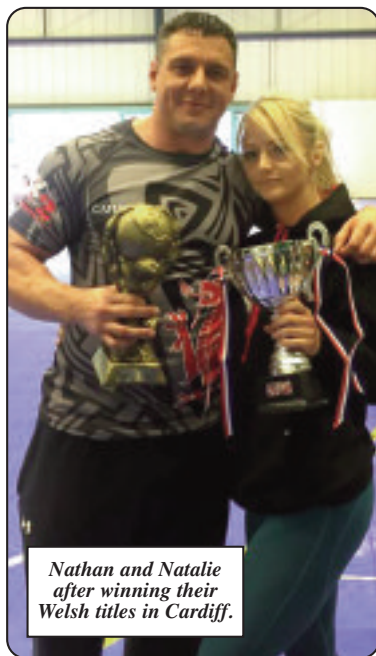
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Wales' strongest couple head out for British finals



Nathan and Natalie after winning their Welsh titles in Cardiff.

A MAN and woman from Rhosce, who have won a host of titles that test competitors' strengths to the limit, are officially Wales' strongest couple.

Nathan Szuchnik (31) and Natalie Roberts (31) are relative novices in the sport, but have made astonishing progress in a short time.

In fact, Nathan, who has a number of big competitions over the next couple of months, will head for America this December to compete in 'The World's Strongest Man'.

Among the events in 'Strongman' are Atlas stones, log press, truck pull, dumbbell, and dead-lifting - or picking up the back of a car!

Strongman competitions have become increasingly popular, thanks to more coverage on TV.

Nathan fits in stamina-

sapping training sessions around his busy job as a roofer for United Welsh Housing Association.

He said: "I train at Hammer Strength gym at Barry Leisure Centre three or four times a week and at the K2 gym in Bridgend on Sundays with a group that comes from around Wales."

"I've been competing in strongman for just over three years. I've competed in 15 competitions and won 11 of them."

A few years ago, Nathan put up a gym video on Facebook which showed his prowess at dead-lifting. Someone saw it and he was invited to take part in a beginners' strongman competition in Aberbargoed - to his surprise he won it. Next

was an intermediate contest, and he won that too.

Nathan explained: "I am currently Wales' strongest man in the under 105kg weight category, which I won in April."

"I hold the Welsh dumbbell record and am also looking to set a new axle press record at Europe's Strongest Man in my category."

He is now hard in training for the 'UK's Strongest Man' on July 16, 'Europe's Strongest Man' on July 29, and 'Britain's Strongest Man' on August 19.

"I have also been invited to the Strongman Champion League World Championships in Finland in September."

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DISGUST AS VANDALS WRECK ISLAND MUSEUM

A SPATE of attacks by vandals has set back plans for a new museum on Barry Island.

John Buxton, managing director of Barry Tourist Railway and patron of the Barry at War Museum, said the culprits needed to be apprehended and he hoped images taken at Plymouth Road on the Island may help people identify them from the clothes they were wearing. The images have been circulated on social media.

John said: "Barry as a town is all the poorer for the mindless actions of a few. Vandals have wrecked the proposed new museum that our team has been working on at the Plymouth Road site."

"Vehicles and artifacts have been trashed, windows smashed and oil-based paint daubed liberally in the exhibition shed."

"Several items are missing. The loss and damage runs into many thousands of pounds."

John and his team were planning to open the museum on August

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5, and one of the main attractions was to have been a superb miniature railway and military vehicle exhibition.

He explained: "Now we'll have to clear up the mess and find many thousands of pounds to repair and replace the items lost."

"Large sums will also have to be spent on improving the security of the shed and installing a new CCTV system."

"It's such a shame that these mindless

vandals have wrecked our plans. Recently, we have suffered a spate of anti-social behaviour with rail vehicles broken into and three road vehicles on site damaged so much that we had to scrap them."

He added: "We are trying to do something positive for Barry at our own expense by telling the town's history in terms of the docks, the railway and the World Wars."

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The 'incongruity' of siting housing development near Barry's incinerator



THE ironic positioning of the Barry Waterside housing signification plant seems too good not too share.

This photo sums up the incongruity of placing a gasification plant/incinerator in the heart of the largest town in Wales.

Barry is undergoing a dramatic new build of small town houses, regenerating the old docks area.

Although not in the

same league, does the Grenfell Tower fire disaster in London call into question the adequacy of fire/health and safety standards for residential areas?

The current road narrowing schemes on Barry's major roads emulate a medieval street pattern which potentially would be used by emergency services if there is a conflagration at the gasification plant.

The logic for the gasification plant's location seems even more questionable.

Lin Learner, The Vale.

Councillor questions reader's information

IREFER to your correspondent in The GEM last week, Edward Jones, who appears to be well informed on the alleged work carried out by Alun Cairns MP.

Also, would Mr Jones tell us how much funding has Westminster given to Aston Martin, given the fact that he claims so much has been done by Mr Cairns to bring it to St Athan?

Furthermore, I am sure that Mr Jones could now tell us about what plans Mr Cairns has to bring an improved budget to South Wales Police and to bring police back to our streets

in the Vale, as he appears to be well informed of what Mr Cairns has done.

As I am not a Welsh Assembly member, I am not in a position to comment on funding given by Westminster to offset council tax, only to say that Wales has been underfunded by Westminster for many years.

It is time that Mr Cairns, as Secretary of State for Wales, saw that fairer funding comes to local government in Wales, otherwise your council tax will be increased by the Conservative council in the Vale next March.

Coun Gwyn John, Llantwit Major.

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'Couns Neil and Anne Moore are wrong about incinerator,' WRITES GEM READER

IN The GEM recently, Coun Anne Moore asserts that 'planning permission was taken out of the hands of the council' with regard to the incinerator being built at Barry Docks.

However, I was in the public gallery several years later when permission was granted for the

'Curious recollection' about Brexit by a GEM correspondent

MR John H Evans [The GEM, June 15] has a curious recollection of the June 2016 Brexit Referendum.

The facts are that David Cameron as promised, unlike previous Labour leaders, gave us a referendum when he could not secure reforms.

I am not sure where Jeremy Corbyn stood, but the majority of Labour MPs and over half of the Conservatives

were in favour of Remain.

The electorate however thought otherwise and the vote was lost due to huge numbers, especially in Wales, of Labour voters voting to leave.

There can be no doubt that without such Labour support, the margin would have been the other way.

It is not the Conservatives who are a shambles but Labour. Peter Graham-Woollard, Colwinston.

'Hands off Henry Danter,' says reader

ON the subject of Tim Chapman's article in the June 15 edition: the Vale Council ought to be ashamed of themselves at the way they are treating Henry Danter for the effort he is putting in the Barry Island pleasure park to put Barry back on the map, something this council has failed to do for many years.

As a boy in the early '40s and '50s Barry Island was known all over the UK, then it went downhill from then, then Ken Rodgers came along.

What did the Vale Council do?

Stop him in everything he wanted to do to improve things.

Henry Danter has put a lot of cash in the pleasure park and buildings to make it what it is today. Great.

So give the man a chance to do what he wants to do: make Barry Island pleasure park the best in Wales.

Mr B Kirke, Barry.

larger plant that is currently under construction.

Make no mistake about it: at this later stage, the Vale Council voted to approve planning permission and it is this legacy that the people of Barry have been left to deal with.

Coun Moore alleges that 'rhetoric and misleading information has been spread' and she repeats Coun Neil Moore's accusation of 'scaremongering' from earlier in the year.

The only misleading information I see in the community is coming from the Moores themselves.

The licensing body, Natural Resources Wales (NRW) has commended the work of the Dock Incinerator Action Group (DIAG). NRW has listened to DIAG's concerns and incorporated several of them into their demand for more information from Biomass/Aviva.

Why are Couns Anne and Neil Moore apparently so ignorant of these facts that they see it as acceptable to insult the actions and intelligence of Barry townspeople? Anna Beardsley, Barry.

'Where were the incinerator protesters nine years ago?'

IHAVE lived near the biggest industrial site in the Vale for 45 years.

This area, in southern Cadoston, is the only blast zone in the Vale.

The factory is Dow Corning and I have a lot of faith in the people who run it.

They spend a lot of money to keep the area safe and they also keep the locals well informed of any changes.

I can understand the anxieties of the people near the incinerator and I commend them for making sure all the safety measures are heeded.

Roadwork delay blights Whyte's Cosy Corner

WHY on earth is it taking so long to complete the roadworks that blight the arrival to Barry Island, at the end of Harbour Road by Whyte's Cosy Corner?

Surely we are approaching an anniversary; perhaps we can all gather and dance around the cones? Malcolm Wilson, Barry.

Hardly a barrel of laughs on Island



Can anyone identify this visitor to Barry Island?

THIS picture may be of interest to GEM readers.

While walking on Barry Island beach recently with my partner and little one, I came across quite a sight.

The first was in the water – it looked like a large ball – and secondly, what appeared to be a rock on the beach.

It turns out that these were actually jellyfish – massive ones at that!

Does anyone know what type they are? I thought it was rather strange, as we don't tend to get as many of these in Barry as in west Wales.

Keep safe on the beach and stay away from the stingers.

Amira Gharbieh, The Vale

Editor's note: it looks like a barrel jellyfish (Rhizostoma pulmo). Fairly common in these waters, it can grow to around three feet in diameter.

'Labour is not the answer'

IN his letter in the last edition, John Evans wonders why anyone would want to vote Conservative.

I was born and raised in socialism, my father was Father of the Chapel in the print unions at the age of 21, but I became disillusioned because of Militant Tendency (remember them?) and the reason we have cuts at the present time is that the last Labour government left the country bankrupt!

The current Labour leadership are friends with terrorists, covertly anti-Semitic (Jeremy Corbyn laid flowers on the graves of the

terrorists who murdered innocent athletes at the Munich Olympics), and are advocating "millions taking to the streets in order to bring the Government down".

Such actions would lead to public disorder and disrupt our society even further.

As far as Brexit is concerned, it's not just a Conservative issue, because the Labour Party too is committed to Brexit so an estimated 86 per cent of the electorate are in favour. What the other member states think of us shouldn't really matter.

But given the above facts, I am amazed that anyone would want to vote Labour.

Michael Wishart, St Athan.

HIGH TIDE TIMES

(UNTIL JUNE 29)

The high tides listed in this week's GEM are those in Porthcawl. It should be remembered that along the coast, high tide times will vary. For instance, in Barry, the high point will be 20 – 25 minutes later.

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25 Sun	08.04	10.3	20.27	10.4
26 Mon	08.53	10.3	21.14	10.2
27 Tues	09.42	10.1	21.59	10.0
28 Wed	10.28	9.7	22.46	9.6
29 Thur	11.12	9.2	23.34	9.1

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Penarth man gets four-year sentence to protect women

A SERIAL sexual predator who preyed on lone women in Penarth for nine years has been put behind bars.

At Cardiff Crown Court 27-year-old Mark Maxwell was jailed for four years after being

described by Judge Stephen Hopkins QC as a "dangerous defendant".

Maxwell, of Mountjoy Crescent, Penarth, admitted two charges of sexual assault.

He was said to have a string of previous convictions involving

CARDIFF CROWN COURT REPORT by AJ SICLUNA

sexual offences.

The Judge said Maxwell had shown no remorse whatsoever and admitted that he had been involved in such behaviour in the Penarth

area for about nine years.

Judge Hopkins stressed he had a duty to protect the female population of the town who were "at real risk" of Maxwell's behaviour.

Said the Judge: "You targeted lone females day and night."

He said that while he was in prison, the women of Penarth would be protected from his "predatory behaviour".

Prosecutor Tom Roberts said that about 4.30pm on February 14, the first victim was walking in Plassey Street.

Maxwell crossed the road to walk towards her.

As he made eye contact, she looked away and he reached out and touched her right thigh and squeezed her right buttock.

"She froze in shock" and was sore for two to three days. She reported the matter to the police and in a victim impact statement said she had undergone trauma and was now vigilant when walking alone.

She also said she was in shock and didn't feel safe in the town.

She added: "I never thought such a thing would happen in Penarth." She said she believed that she had a right to walk the streets and not feel fearful.

The incident, she said, had affected her wellbeing.

The second incident was on April 21 involving a woman running on the outskirts of Penarth at about 7.15pm towards the sports village.

Maxwell smiled at her and grabbed her bottom. She responded by calling him a "dickhead".

When she arrived home, she called the police and said she felt angry, upset and felt "dirty".

Those incidents, said Mr Roberts, were captured on CCTV.

When arrested, Maxwell said what occurred was "in the heat of the moment".

He had a previous conviction of sexual assault in Mountjoy Crescent when he pulled up a woman's top, exposing her breasts.

He also had a conviction for attempted sexual assault and making lewd gestures, and approaching another woman and grabbing her left buttock.

His counsel, Sue Ferrier, said: "It is a truly troubling case which has had a great impact on these women."

"Maxwell has had his difficulties and made it worse by committing the second offence while on bail."

She said he had always felt sorry afterwards and appreciated that what he had done was wrong.

She said he felt unable to appropriately react in a relationship. The Judge made a Sexual Harm Prevention Order, to run indefinitely.

Sully meeting on biomass plant

THE Saving Sully Group and Sully and Lavernock Community Council are holding a public meeting on Thursday, June 29 at the Jubilee Hall, Smithies Avenue at 7.30pm to discuss the Biomass plant in Barry.

A spokeswoman for the Saving Sully Group said: "Should Biomass be granted a licence to operate the incinerator, there are

serious concerns of its impact upon residents' health.

"Opposition speakers who have in-depth knowledge of the potential dangers will be available to answer questions and concerns."

"There will also be a discussion on the proposals for Wakeboarding at Cosmeston Lakes and updates on the LDP and other issues."

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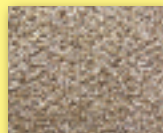
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Ramblers out in all weathers

BARRIE from Penarth and District Ramblers cancelled his planned walk in the Garwnant area because of the horrendous weather forecast, but made his way to Cogan in the hope that a more local walk would encourage people to venture out.

Only Rachel and Terry turned up, and setting out in pleasant conditions

with no sign of rain on the horizon, they made their way down to cross the River Ely for a half circular tour of Cardiff Bay, then through Hamadryad Park and across the Clarence Road Bridge to the west side of the River Taff.

Tramping the embankments to Sophia Gardens before turning away from the river at the Blackweir Bridge, they went to Llandaff

Cathedral for lunch.

Crossing Llandaff Bridge onto the east side of the river and heading into Radyr Woods, they learned some of the area's history from information boards.

A continuation past Forest Farm and under the busy M4 eventually led them to Taff's Well station, where a soaking wet train, that had evidently travelled through heavy rainfall,

arrived to convey them home.

The Thursday summer evening ramble attracted a group of 15 walkers, including leader Geraint and Pepper the spaniel, who left the Twyn in Dinas Powys to head across the lower part of the golf course and into woodland.

From the Millfields adjacent to the Cadoston River, a steep path led them to the site of Dinas Powys hillfort. It was first excavated in 1953 by Sir Mortimer Wheeler and Leslie Alcock when pottery, amphora, crystal cups, glass beakers and cooking jars and animal bones were discovered.

Descending to Cwm George to view a variety of wild flowers, a climb first along a bridleway and then on a rocky path past lovely beech trees led them into Park Woods, where wide paths brought them southwards to descend to the One o' Clock Gate.

Heading down through the golf course and passing only one golfer still on the greens, they retraced their steps back to the village for a cooling drink before the journey home.

To follow the group please log onto www.penarthramblers.wordpress.com or Facebook.

JS



372 Barry Squadron – Dining In.

Air Cadets stand out on Dining In Night



Coun Charlotte Williams with NCO of the Year Cadet Sergeant James Jelinski.

AN Air Cadet squadron in Barry recently held its 'Dining In Night'.

The evening was an opportunity to entertain officers, instructors, cadets and ex-cadets, and guests of guests of 372 (Barry) Squadron. Some 100 people attended.

The cadets and squadron staff were joined by guests including Squadron Leader Roger Beech (Chief of Staff), Squadron Leader Idwal Jones (Region Sports Officer), Squadron Leader Andrew Organ

(Area Commander) and Flight Lieutenant John Greenow (former Squadron Commander and Chairman).

The Mr Vice on the night was Cadet Ieuan Morgan-Cleary, the newest cadet on the squadron. Cdt Morgan-Cleary's responsibility on the night was to assist the commanding officer with the smooth running of the evening and to entertain the guests after dinner.

After dinner, Sqn Ldr Beech gave an entertaining speech to the cadets and guests. Coun Charlotte Williams, then mayor, presented the annual NCO of The Year trophy to Cadet Sergeant James Jelinski for his hard work and dedication during the last year.

Sqn Ldr Organ promoted Sam Smith, Rhys Horton and James Jelinski to the rank of Cadet Sergeant.

The cadets thoroughly enjoyed the annual dining in night, learning about the traditions upheld within the Royal Air Force.

Cadet Morgan Edgell said: "At first I really nervous about the evening and all the traditions we had to remember. It was great fun and I can't wait until next years dining in night."

The cadets are now looking forward to an action packed and challenging training programme including flying, gliding, shooting, archery, sport, hill craft, Duke of Edinburgh and leadership training in what promises to be another busy and exciting few months ahead.

If you have a spirit for adventure, 372 Squadron has vacancies for boys and girls between 12 (and in school year 8) – 17 years old. The Squadron parades on Mondays and Wednesdays 7pm-9.30pm behind Adams Funeral Parlour on Gladstone Road (by the Memorial Hall) or you can contact the Squadron on 07936 491226, email oc.372@aircadets.org.uk or visit www.372squadron.org for more information about becoming an Air Cadet.



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Barry Male Voice Choir's big night is getting closer



Seven of the choir's new members.

THE Barry Male Voice Choir's 115th annual concert approaches and will be held at St Helen's RC Church, Wyndham Street, Barry on Friday, June 30 at 7pm.

This celebration will be one of the highlights of the musical year for the choir and for Barry and the Vale. The well-rehearsed programme will include something for everyone: stirring choruses, operatic arias, songs from the shows and of course emotional and heartfelt songs of Wales.

John Shewring, a member of the basses and the choir Afterglow artist hinted that the programme will also include a Coldplay number. He added: "Soprano Manon Ogwen Parry and

guitarist Chris Ackland are two outstanding soloists who will also perform with the choir. I can sense the emotion and excitement already."

The bigger and better Barry Male Voice Choir will also feature its newest members. Debut member Dave Parker (pictured on the left in the back row) with six of 10 new members, explained his musical journey from the 'taster evening' held last November. He said: "The trepidation I felt in attending the taster evening didn't last long."

"I'm now a member of a friendly welcoming choir looking forward to my first annual concert."

It's a big moment for all the choir members old and new. Tickets for the concert are £10 and are available from choir members, at the door or by telephoning 01446 402398.



ACTION GROUP'S WALK ON 'CLEAN AIR DAY'

ON Thursday evening, June 15, National Clean Air Day, the Docks Incinerator Action Group organised a walk from Barry Island funfair to the Biomass plant under construction at Woodham Road.

A spokesman said: "It was quite a windy evening so there was plenty of fresh sea air to be had."

"The group walked down the pavement on the new road through the new housing estate and received many hoots of encouragement from passing motorists."

"We then went onto the next phase of the planned housing that was covered in wild flowers just before the industrial area."

"Some members of the group were surprised at how large the incinerator is when you are close up to it."

Vandals wreck island museum

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"Barry has a proud history and we want to tell the story to the local community as well as visitors to Barry Island."

"We already run the only museum in Barry at Barry Island Station building and we wanted to expand our facility at Plymouth Road."

"However, there are groups of mindless hooligans in Barry who are thwarting our plans. There is no way

that we can now open the new museum this year."

Henry Danter's Barry Island Fun Fair has also been the target of vandals with the windows of a historic showman's Matador vehicle being smashed. It was to have been an exhibit in his Showman's Museum.

If anyone has any information on the spate of vandalism, they should call the police on 101 or John Buxton on 01446 748816.

STUDENTS' ARTWORK ON SHOW IN BARRY

THE 2017 Cardiff and Vale College (CAVC) exhibition is now open at the Vale of Glamorgan Council's Art Central Gallery in Barry.

The exhibition showcases the best of CAVC students' work and spans a range of disciplines including ceramics, textiles, graphic design, painting and installations.

Coun Bob Penrose, the council's cabinet member for learning and culture, said: "The work on show at Art Central is absolutely first class."

"To have their work displayed in a public gallery represents a big step in the development of these young artists and I am delighted that the council has been able to make this possible."

"The Vale has a thriving arts scene and with this exhibition the students at CAVC have put themselves at the heart of it."



This week's exhibition at Art Central showcases the best of local students' artwork.

CAVC is one of the largest colleges in the country and many of its arts courses are based at the college's main Vale of Glamorgan campus in Barry.

The exhibition is open to the public until Saturday June 24 (10am - 4:30pm weekdays and 10am - 3:30pm on

Saturdays). Art Central is located at the Town Hall, King Square, Barry, CF63 4RW.

More information about the gallery and other arts activities in the Vale can be found online at

www.valeofglamorgan.gov.uk/artcentral.

Richard Taylor remembered at skate park event

THE Richard Taylor Skate Trophy event takes place at the Knap on August 19 starting at 10am, and this year there's a £750 prize fund.



Richard, who died in 2004 at the age of 23 following a skating accident near his home in Barry, was a Welsh inline skating and freestyle skiing champion who developed a large fanbase across the UK and Europe.

The skating park at the Knap is dedicated to his memory. His brother Robert, who organises the event, said: "It is the 12th time we have held the event. This year we've got a prize fund of £750."

"All ages are welcome. The categories will be under 12, those aged 12 to 16, and a section open to all ages."

"The day will run from 10am until 6pm. Normally, we get around 40 to 50 people, but we hope that with the prize fund we might get more this year."

Over the years, Richard's friends spread news of the Knap skate park being dedicated to his memory and people have visited it from as far afield as London and Scotland.

Dinas Voluntary Concern AGM

A FULL report of another successful year of activities of Dinas Powys Voluntary Concern will be reported to members at the AGM on Monday, June 26.

A spokesman said: "The event is to be held at the Murchfield Community Centre Sunnycroft Lane, Dinas Powys at 7.15pm for 7.30pm."

"The annual report and accounts will be presented followed by the election of the new trustees. Copies are available on request. Come along and hear of the latest initiatives of the charity."

For further information, contact 02920 513700 or info@dpvc.org.uk.

Police issue appeal after designer goods burglary in Sully

OFFICERS investigating a burglary in which thousands of pounds worth of jewellery and designer goods were stolen, are appealing for the public's help to identify two men.

Sometime between 10.30pm and 10.45pm on Saturday, June 10, thieves broke in to a property on Rookery Wood, Sully, helping themselves to valuable jewellery, including a wedding ring, a Breitling watch and several sets of earrings.

Christian Louboutin shoes, various pieces of Louis Vuitton luggage and hundreds of pounds in cash were also stolen.

Detective Constable Mark Wonnacott said: "We are keen to identify these two men, who were captured on CCTV in the area. If you think they recognise them, please do get in touch. "I'd also urge the public to be on their guard if they are offered luxury items for sale. If you suspect them to be stolen goods, don't part with your money - pick up the phone and report what you know."

Anyone who recognises the men pictured, or who has any information that could assist with enquiries, is urged to contact 101, quoting reference 1700223444.



Wales' strongest couple in action

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Nathan added: "My final competition of the year is the World's Strongest Man, which is being held in America this December."

His partner Natalie, who works for Howells Solicitors, took up the sport herself a year ago.

She won four competitions, including Wales' Strongest Woman in the under 63kg category.

Nathan said: "It means we are officially Wales' strongest couple. Natalie broke the Welsh under 63kg deadlift record with 152.5kg in April. She will also be competing in Britain's Strongest Woman."

The couple compete for the love of the sport - prize money is minimal, just a couple of hundred pounds and not enough to cover travel, hotel rooms and meal

expenses. Nathan said: "I am grateful to local companies who've helped us out including S & S Supplements in Barry."

The GEM plans to follow the couple's progress in the coming months.

Missing a tortoise?

IS anyone missing a tortoise? It may have just woken after the winter sleep.

The tortoise was found on the driveway of a house in the West End of Barry on May 27 and is very active and obviously used to people.

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Primary schools test out their business skills



Pupils from St Andrews Major School in Dinas Powys have made it to the final of the competition.

PRIMARY schoolchildren from across the Vale took part in an entrepreneurial competition, which aimed to find and nurture the most promising young business talent in Wales.

Enterprise Troopers, the annual competition run by Big Ideas Wales – part of the Welsh Government's Youth Entrepreneurship Service – brings together five to 11-year-olds from across the country.

The four most exciting business ideas (out of 17 who took part) of the key stage two pupils will now head to the national final at Wales Millennium Centre on July 4.

Pupils from Llangan Primary School in Cowbridge, Dinas Powys Primary and Ysgol Gymraeg Sant Baruc in Barry wowed the judges at the regional final at Margam Park.

The competition aims to encourage creativity and business skills in young people, and challenges pupils across Wales to develop their own business

ideas.

Y Bont Faen Primary in Cowbridge and St Andrews Major Church in Wales Primary School in Dinas Powys are now heading for the final after impressing the judges.

Speaking at the event, Graeme Jones, year-6 teacher at Ysgol Y Bont Faen, said: "We're incredibly proud of our pupils who have shown so much creativity through this process."

"They've thoroughly enjoyed today's event and we're all really looking forward to the final. Fingers crossed for more success there."

Showing their support for the pupils at each regional final are four 'super-troopers', each representing the key attributes of entrepreneurship: attitude, creativity, relationships and organisation.

The event's headline sponsor, Hugh Evans, owner of Caernarfon Airport and Cardiff Heliport, said of the launch: "Encouraging entrepreneurial attitudes in children from an early age allows them to develop life skills and talents that are essential to their development."

Pupils as young as key stage one were also involved in the regional final, showing off their best business ideas, including a grow-your-own plant sale in which the Dinas Powys Primary School was named the overall winner.

To find out more about the competition contact www.enterprisetroopers.bigideaswales.com, or email EnterpriseTroopers@cazbah.biz or call 0844 736 6150.

Friends of St Augustine's learn about local wildlife

THEY walked and they talked. The Friends of St Augustine's Habitat and Heritage group defied the weather recently when about 40 people and several children came along to hear about the wonders of wildlife in churchyards, and the very innovative digital burial management system being put into effect by volunteers.

Erica Dixon, from the Vale Council's ecology department spoke about the need to protect the vital habitat provided by churchyards and she then led a short walk around the site, which is home to many insects, slow worms, birds, lichen and a wide variety of wild flowers.

The wet, but cheerful band then made its way to Belle Vue Pavilion where it was greeted with refreshments provided by the Friends of Belle Vue Park.

Sarah Perons from the Landaff Diocese

explained how the digital recording of the information on people buried in the churchyard was being recorded on a system which would, in time, provide a very quick way of accessing information for family, friends and researchers.

This event was part of a series organised to highlight the progress of the Habitat and Heritage project which will enable people to come and enjoy finding out about the heritage and the habitat of the area – and enjoy the view.

Andrew Davison, who chairs the project, said: "We really want the people of Penarth to become involved in this exciting project which will preserve the heritage and enhance the wildlife in the churchyard."

"At the moment the major challenge is keeping pace with the grass cutting. Volunteer gardeners are very welcome."

Just contact Andrew Davison on 07704 049053 or email: aswdavison@outlook.com.

Jane Hutt visits SCOPE cafe



JANE HUTT enjoyed 'coffee and conversation' at the Caffi i Bawb at the SCOPE centre in Barry, meeting local resident and volunteer Mart Bollingham and SCOPE team leader Sian Harries.

She said: "It was great to visit the SCOPE Cafe on Hayes Road which is used by their customers and is open to the public and I recommend the cappuccino."

"They also have rooms and facilities available for hire."

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MOVE OVER DARCEY BUSSELL... Oak Field has its own prima ballerina!



Ellie (centre) celebrates her success with her classmates.



Ellie performs for the school.

AFTER a nerve-racking audition and waiting a number of weeks to hear if she was successful, a year-5 pupil of Barry's Oak Field Primary School, Ellie Clark-Daniels, has been notified that she is to become a Junior Associate of the Royal Ballet School.

A school spokeswoman said: "Only a small number of children throughout the country are given this fantastic opportunity, so huge congratulations to Ellie for this incredible achievement."

Barry Library Reading Groups

COME along to one of our friendly reading groups to meet new people and chat about books over a cup of tea. We run two groups every month at Barry Library – one on a Monday from 6pm-7pm and one on a Friday from 2.30pm-4pm.

The date of the next meeting is Friday, June 23. For more information about meeting dates and book titles, contact Melanie at the library on 01446 422419.

Positive pupils' beach trip



A HUGE thank you to the Barry Rotary Club, which supplied the transport that took 20 lucky children from Oak Field Primary School for a fantastic day of fun in the sun at Brean Sands.

The children were chosen for their 'positive attitude to school life' and were also given hats by the club.

Once again, the children would like to thank the Rotary Club for what was a fantastic treat.

Nicola Danielson

Part Time Administrator, Oak Field Primary School, Barry.

Pupils were chosen for their 'positive attitude to school life'.

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Caring Ruairi has collected donations for charity Llamau



LEFT: Ruairi Clarke presenting his donations to Jo O'Rourke (centre) and Elin Evans (right) of Llamau.

IT was seeing food being given to homeless people while Christmas shopping with his family last year that spurred little Ruairi Clarke into action to do something about homelessness.

Ever since, the kind hearted five-year-old from the Vale has been collecting donations for young homeless people and vulnerable women, and he recently delivered them to homelessness charity Llamau, in Cardiff.

In recognition of his work, Ruairi received the 'Citizen of the Month' award from his school, St David's Church in Wales in Colwinston.

Ruairi said: "I've collected deodorants and toiletries. I've asked

people in school, my family, my neighbours and my friends. I'm really happy to bring the items to Llamau."

His mother, Lois, added: "We saw a van handing out food to homeless people just before Christmas, and ever since Ruairi's been obsessed about why people were homeless and how he could help them."

Frances Beecher, Llamau chief executive, said: "We're so impressed that Ruairi decided to collect items for the young people and women that we support."

"It fills me with such confidence that young people like Ruairi are determined to make a change for the most vulnerable in our society."

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TWO former homeless hounds have walked their owner down the aisle on her big day.

Kim Davies (29), started working at Dogs Trust Bridgend 10 years ago and is now the training and behaviour advisor at the Pen-y-Fai centre.

Ex-homeless hounds and previous residents at the rehoming centre, Maddie and Flea, accompanied Kim and her husband, Jason, down the aisle as they exchanged vows and officially declared their love for each other.

Kim adopted Maddie, the cocker spaniel in 2008 when she was six months old, and fell in love with her high energy and zest for life.

Kim and Maddie took up agility classes together when Maddie turned one, and this has proven to be a great way to channel her energy into something focused, and the pair have thrived in classes.

Flea, the eight-year-old Shih Tzu-cross, was adopted by Kim in 2009 after she fostered him at 13 weeks old.

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KIM'S DOGS ARE STAR TURNS AT HER WEDDING!



Kim and Jason with Maddie and Flea on their wedding day.

Kim said: "Flea got his name as he was covered in fleas when he arrived at the rehoming centre. However, he was soon flea-free but the name stuck!"

Kim gives full credit to her pooches for helping to win Jason's affection after they accompanied them on their first date: a romantic walk on the beach. The devoted dog-lovers married on the beach in Swansea

with Maddie as a flower girl and Flea as one of the page boys.

Kim said: "The dogs are a huge part of our lives and we always wanted them to be involved in the big day. They were there for our first date and we couldn't imagine having our big day without them by our side."

"Both dogs joined us for the photos and a special wedding breakfast of chicken

and gravy.

"Flea is a little posier and lapped up the attention from everyone while Maddie just wanted to run into the sea!"

"We went to Las Vegas for our honeymoon, but we came back and went on a family break with our little boy and the dogs to Pendine in west Wales where we spent the week visiting castles, walking on the beach, building sand

castles and swimming in the sea. They loved every minute of it – it was a perfect family honeymoon."

"We had Dogs Trust wedding favours instead of traditional ones as all money raised goes back to the rehoming centres to help even more dogs."

"Everyone got a dog pen to take home and our cake had dog figurines on it, so we really went for an all-out dog theme."

"My dad even mentioned Dogs Trust in his speech as he knows how passionate I am about working there. I owe a lot to Dogs Trust, especially for helping me to find two of the most loving, precious dogs ever."

"I really don't know what I'd do without them in my life and I'm just so pleased they were able to share our wedding day with us. They certainly made the day even more special."

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Park owner hopes for 'extension' compromise

THE owner of Barry Island Pleasure Park said he hoped a compromise could be found after Vale planning councillors gave the green light for an arcade extension at the park to be removed.

Henry Danter told The GEM he hoped to have a meeting with officials to resolve the issue.

Last week, a report went to councillors relating to the extension at the Treasure Island and Funfair Arcade on Paget Road.

Planning officers said the work did not have the correct planning permission and the area should be restored to its previous condition.

Among a number of criticisms in the report

were that the building had a "run-down appearance" and did not have a "high-quality finish".

On June 15, councillors accepted the report's recommendation that enforcement action could be taken.

A spokesperson for the council said it still hoped to work with Mr Danter to resolve the problem.

The spokesman said: "The decision by the planning committee gives the Vale Council the power, under the Planning Act, to compel the landowner to remove this structure."

"However, we hope the site's operators will engage with us and rectify the issues with the building without any further legal action needing to be taken."

Officers had also told the committee that Mr Danter had been in touch

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with the council and they hoped the matter could be resolved without an enforcement notice being issued.

Mr Danter said he believed the work on the extension came under legislation relating to amusement parks and what they were permitted to do, rather than local authority building control.

He said: "I think the council thinks we have taken liberties; that is not the case."

"I want to work with the council as there is every possible chance of a compromise."

"We are talking so some good may come out

of this."

Mr Danter said the structure had been moved, bolted back together and was even better now.

Before Mr Danter bought the site in 2015, rides had been provided for visitors by another fairground operator on a

lease agreement.

Mr Danter, who brought in new rides and resurfaced the park, said: "We are two years into a five-year plan. It was rated one of the worst amusement parks in the world three years ago, and we have made it a better place without a shadow of a doubt."

"People have praised us and said 'you should get a medal for what has been achieved'. I will do everything in my power to work with the council."

Supermarket helps charities

COMMUNITY groups in the Vale are set for a funding boost after the Co-op announced the latest beneficiaries of its membership scheme.

Eight causes are set to benefit in the Vale, including Barry Beavers Disabled Swimming Club, Motion Control Dance in Rhosce, and the 1st Llantwit Major Scout Group. The average payout to good causes in Glamorgan from the first

round of the membership scheme in April was £2,670.

Chief membership officer at the Co-op, Rufus Olins, said: "In April we paid out £9 million to over 4,000 good causes, and that money has gone on to fund some fantastic projects in communities throughout the country, from a simple lawnmower to help maintain a children's park to a new pony for a riding school for the disabled."

'A PRIVILEGE TO REPRESENT VALE'

THE 2017 General Election campaign was a great exercise of democracy in action, and once more the Vale of Glamorgan proved a fascinating constituency seat for observers and candidates alike.

I am truly privileged to have been chosen a third time to represent the Vale of Glamorgan as your MP. It is a role that I value even more with every constituent I meet and every case with which I assist.

Since my election, it has always been my aim to be a champion for Barry and the Vale.

Having been re-elected I am keen to continue in that same vein, indeed, I want to do even more to ensure that the Vale continues to see new investments arrive and employment opportunities increase.

New opportunities will arrive on the back of the significant announcement from Aston Martin in St Athan and I will continue to work closely with the new Vale Council administration along with community and charitable groups.

I also want to work closely with the Welsh Government to unlock investment in the Vale's

communities and help align Westminster policy with the local area.

I will redouble my efforts and make a commitment to every single resident in the Vale, from Dinas Powys to Ogmore By Sea, of any age or political alignment, to offer my help or support on any issue large or small as your Member of Parliament. At any time, please do get in touch on 01446 403814 or alun.cairns.mp@parliament.uk.

I pay tribute to all the candidates who stood in this election, all of whom conducted themselves with grace and dignity, affording the constituents of the Vale a positive and enlightening local campaign.

Across the Vale last weekend, 'Great Get Together' events were organised by volunteers

to remember and celebrate the life of Jo Cox, whose life was tragically taken from her as she served her community.

Visiting a number of these events, I was overwhelmed by the positivity and warmth of those attending and running the Great Get Togethers.

This pride in community and demonstration of unity is what makes the Vale so very special.

In light of the tragic events which have occurred in the United Kingdom in recent months, it is relevant now more than ever, to consider Jo Cox's famous words: "We are far more united and have far more in common with each other than things that divide us."

Rt Hon Alun Cairns MP, Barry.

Take a trip with Horticultural Society

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We run several coach trips each year to garden shows, well known gardens and beautiful private gardens. Our next trip is on July 2 to Sudeley Castle and Cotswold Lavender Farm. Please contact Elizabeth Rees on 01446 750387 for details.

Up to £1,000 available for rural Vale projects

FUNDING of up to £1,000 could be available for innovative Vale projects.

In a bid to help rural communities across the Vale, the Council's Creative Rural Communities (CRC) team is set to launch a pilot project enabling such

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A Big Lunch for Ysgol Y Deri

YSGOL Y DERI special school has kicked off a weekend of community get-togethers across Penarth with a Big Lunch for guests from the local community.

More than 35 guests, including Vale Council Mayor, Coun Janice Charles, local businesses, school governors, and residents from a nearby elderly care home, joined staff and pupils for a feast prepared by the school's catering students.

Part of the Penarth Learning Community, the school has professional catering facilities where pupils can develop kitchen skills under professional supervision.

Big Lunch dishes shared with the community included sausage rolls, rainbow salads, lamb koftas, and a range of sweet treats.

The school caters for more than 250 pupils



ABOVE: Coun Janice Charles, with (left to right) Joe Rowson (catering tutor), Ysgol Y Deri pupils, Brendan, Chelsea, Brandon, Ewan, and Fred Meunier (catering tutor).

between the ages of three and 19 from around the Vale and Bridgend, with specialist needs including autistic spectrum disorders, as well as mental and physical disabilities.

Ysgol Y Deri assistant headteacher, Kerrie Pritchard, said: "We wanted to run an event for the whole community, not just the

school. "The Big Lunch creates a fantastic opportunity to share a slice of school life with our neighbours. The simple act of sharing food and a fun day helps everyone feel that they are part of the community."

"Our Big Lunch was a special and moving day." The Great Get

Together was a weekend celebrating community on June 17-18, which includes The Big Lunch, the UK's annual eat-together for neighbours, an idea from the Eden Project made possible by the National Lottery.

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Fundraising soccer event for Cancer Research charity

A FUNDRAISING football event in aid of Cancer Research

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Jonny Martyn and friends are arranging a fundraising event in memory of loved ones who have lost their lives to cancer.

Jonny has been inspired by his late mother Marie Martyn,

who was a well known character of Barry.

A spokesperson said: "She was known for her big smile and warm heart and was passionate about fundraising for charities that were close to her heart."

In 2009, aged 70, she completed her first parachute jump with cash raised going to a local

mental health charity that supported people to live independently.

"This event," said the spokesperson, "is for all the family to enjoy the activities being arranged for all age groups and help raise money for this incredible cause."

"Although all the players will, naturally, wish their teams to win, they are also doing it to raise as much money as they can for Cancer Research."

Sponsors and donors are still sought. Businesses and individuals interested in sponsoring a team or making donations should contact Jonny Martyn on 07813 980904.

'Active travel' at the Kymin

THE Vale Council is hosting an 'Active Travel Consultation' event for residents in Penarth on July 6.

The term 'active travel' relates to walking and cycling (including the use of mobility scooters) for every day journeys.

It includes journeys to school, to work, to the shops or to access services such as health or leisure centres.

A consultation event will be held at The Kymin in Penarth on Thursday, July 6, from 1.30pm to 6.30pm at which local residents can view the maps and share their views.



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Vale Ramblers enjoy a Barry Island walk



John celebrated his 94 birthday recently.

THE beautiful weather enticed 37 Vale Ramblers out for an evening ramble recently around Barry Island.

Walk leader Su declared her intent to reach four beaches by the end of the walk. Setting out from the Harbour Road car park, the rising tide was still in the walkers' favour for crossing Watch Tower Bay from the pier, over the sands to the slipway.

The Knap looked beautiful in the evening sunlight and local teenagers were perfecting their skateboarding skills in the park.

The group returned over the causeway to a lively Whitmore Bay and then on to the restful seclusion of

beach number four, Jackson's Bay.

A lovely evening ended with birthday celebrations for John, the ever-youthful and charming 94 years young Vale walk leader, still leading walks in our varied programme.

John is a veteran pilot from World War Two, having flown Lancasters and at the end of the war, he took part in the Berlin Airlift.

Given his energy and enthusiasm, he is a sure indication that walking is good for you, no matter what your age!

Why don't you come and join the group for a short Wednesday evening walk or on a Sunday for a longer day. Find us on Facebook, Twitter and www.ramblers.org.uk/wales

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Woodhouse Park trip for Beavers and Cubs!



BEAVERS and Cubs went to Woodhouse Park at Bristol for a fun day on June 11.

We had lots of fun, doing lots of things which included some of these activities: abseiling, zip wire, backwoods cooking, laser tag, muddy assault course and lots more.

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CONSERVATIVE LEADER QUESTIONS VALE AM ON HIGHWAYS ISSUES

THE Welsh Government is being urged to press on with improving the A48 road through the Vale.

Welsh Conservative leader, Andrew R T Davies, questioned business secretary and Vale AM Jane Hutt on the issue at the National Assembly recently.

He told Ms Hutt he had raised the issue with her on several occasions.

Mr Davies said: "It is now becoming ridiculous that we have collapsed manholes and potholes on an A road that is the main link between Bridgend and Cardiff, which, as you will appreciate, is heavily used."

"I appreciate there are recent road markings that have been put down, which indicate maintenance as pending."

"But as a frequent user of this road, very often the road markings come and go but no

work happens in between."

"Could we have a statement as to what maintenance is planned for the summer period so that when we do enter the winter months we do see genuine improvement in the condition of the road?"

Ms Hutt said while the Welsh Government does have some responsibility, it is the Conservative-controlled Vale Council (formed after the May 4, 2017 elections) that is the key highway authority in relation to roads within its area.

Mr Davies also asked Ms Hutt about progress on the improvements to Five Mile Lane – the A426 – which links Bonvilston with Barry and Cardiff Airport.

Mr Davies told Ms Hutt: "There have been considerable workings on the site, but there doesn't seem to be any progress on the actual starting of the construction phase of the road."

"I think completion

was due some time next year. Could we have an update as to how work is progressing?"

"Has there been any movement in the timeline for completion of this project so that we can be better informed as to how this £26 million project is developing?"

Ms Hutt said the Vale Council is the key highway authority in relation to roads within the Vale, including Five

Mile Lane.

She told Mr Davies: "The Welsh Labour Government has provided the funding, which I know you've welcomed, for Five Mile Lane."

"It is the Vale Council that is responsible for project managing Five Mile Lane. I'm sure you will seek an update from your colleagues on the Vale Council."

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CHOIR CONCERT

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They will be performing a variety of songs with the Mid Glamorgan Mixed Choir. Refreshments will be available and proceeds will go towards the 'Live at Home Scheme'.

YSGOL Y DERI TEACHER RECEIVES AWARD FOR 'LIFE CHANGING' WORK

AN Ysgol Y Deri teacher is in the frame to win a national teaching award for her "life-changing" work helping pupils to communicate using assistive technology.

Lisa Rees-Renshaw, who works at the Penarth school, specialises in developing the use of eye gaze and switch technology with pupils who are unable to speak.

These are methods that allow the user to control a computerised voice system through subtle movements of the body.

Ms Rees-Renshaw's work in this area has seen her recognised with a silver Pearson Teaching Award in the category of 'Outstanding Use of Technology in Education', supported by Google, and the award was presented to her by Vale Council cabinet member for learning and culture, Coun Bob Penrose, at the school recently.

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Left to right (rear): Tim Excel, Lisa Rees-Renshaw, Coun Bob Penrose, Chris Britten (headteacher at Ysgol Y Deri), pictured with pupils at Ysgol Y Deri.

suggested by a pupil and his mother, Ms Rees-Renshaw was officially nominated by Ysgol Y Deri deputy head Josie McAllister. Judges then visited the school to meet pupils, staff and parents before making their decision.

She is one of only 56 people to win a silver award from thousands of nominees and will attend an event at the House of Commons next month.

Ms Rees-Renshaw now goes on to the UK final of the Pearson Teaching Awards in

London on October 22, where she stands a chance of being one of 11 gold award winners.

Ms Rees-Renshaw said: "It is an honour to be rewarded in such a way for the work I do, but I see it as a reflection of the dedication and commitment of a team of staff at our school."

"Together we are now able to deliver opportunities to an amazing group of pupils on a daily basis. Using an extensive range of technology, they are able to communicate, access

education, develop independence and above all, have some control of their world.

"To hear pupils tell you that the technology they now have access to is "life changing" has been the biggest reward I could have had. It makes you realise how important your work is to the pupils and their families.

"I don't class what I do as working at Ysgol Y Deri, it's something I love to do. It is an amazing place to be, full of people who care."

Awards are an annual celebration of exceptional teachers, created to recognise the huge impact an inspirational teacher can have on the lives of the young people they teach.

Newly-appointed president of the Pearson Teaching Awards, the award winning children's novelist, Michael Morpurgo said: "Becoming an inspirational teacher is a serious, admirable commitment. And memorable, outstanding teaching should be celebrated by educators, pupils, parents and throughout society."

"With these awards we're taking the time to recognise the remarkable, often unappreciated efforts of fantastic teachers up and down the country."

Rod Bristow, president of Pearson UK said: "Great teaching can have a huge impact on a child's education so it's vital for us to recognise and celebrate inspirational teachers, for their commitment to teaching and learning and for improving the life chances of the next generation."

"All those receiving a silver trophy should feel extremely proud of their achievement and I look forward to meeting them at the final ceremony later this year."

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Dinas man's BEM award for 55 years of voluntary work

A MAN from Dinas Powys has been awarded the British Empire Medal in recognition of voluntary work going back 55 years.

Mr Edward Jenkins (74) began volunteering in the village in 1962 when he helped elderly people attending an old folks club on Wednesday evenings.

His BEM citation in the Queen's Birthday Honours List reads 'For voluntary work in Dinas Powys', but Mr Jenkins also has a long track record of volunteering in the south Wales deaf community too.

News that he was getting the medal came as a complete shock. People who receive the award don't even know they have even been nominated.

He explained: "They write to you a month before to see if you will accept it. When the letter arrived, I cried, and thought: 'Isn't it lovely?'"

He will receive the medal at a ceremony at Cardiff Castle and will also attend an event at Buckingham Palace.

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Edward Jenkins with his wife Jane, who has been a huge support to him in his voluntary work.

Mr Jenkins said he was humbled by the award. "Without the support of my wife Jane, who has shared me with various organisations over the years, I am sure I would not be receiving this accolade."

"In my volunteering, I have often been part of a team."

Mr Jenkins lived in Dinas Powys until the age of five at which point the family moved to

Barry where he later attended grammar school. In his late teens, he returned to Dinas.

His parents Arthur and Gertrude were both deaf and mute and part of a small community of just five people in Barry who were 'sign dependent'.

It was in part due to that experience that he understood the need to help people overcome obstacles in life.

He was a founder of

South Glamorgan Association for the Deaf in 1973, which became Cardiff Deaf Centre in 2013. Mr Jenkins currently serves as the chairman and all the other board members are profoundly deaf.

He is a strong advocate that British Sign Language should be an official language in Wales and that its adoption would improve the quality of life of deaf people.

He said: "The best vehicle to promote the adoption of BSL as an official language in Wales is a political platform."

"It has to start locally, getting local authorities to accept that there are people who are limited and ensure those deficits can be overcome."

"Profoundly deaf people should have access to public services in the same way as you or I."

The city of Cardiff has officially recognised BSL, and Mr Jenkins says if that happened across Wales, it would be a big step in addressing inequalities faced by the deaf community.

OFFICIAL: There are 'no residents' parking permits for Beryl Place'

A BARRY resident has complained that he has been unable to get a temporary parking permit to use in a town centre street.

Phillip Barree, who lives in Beryl Place, told The GEM: "I went to the Dock Offices to apply for a visitor's parking permit for my father-in-law to 'house sit' for us while we are away."

"I was told by the receptionist that residents in Beryl Place are not eligible for parking permits, as they have driveways."

"Of the six semi-detached properties in Beryl Place, three of us do not have drives, and the other two are not wide enough for modern cars."

There are yellow lines outside Mr

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by GEM REPORTER

Barree's house and he has a permit to park in Beryl Road, which has enough room.

He wanted his father-in-law to be able to park there too when he came to house-sit.

Mr Barree said that although he had been told by the council that temporary permits were not available, he had seen purple ones recently on cars in Buttrills Road and Greenwood Street.

The Vale Council

informed The GEM that it was developing a 'wider parking strategy' aimed at addressing parking issues.

A spokesman explained: "There is no residents' parking scheme in operation at Beryl Place so residents living there are not entitled to parking permits."

"Some residents of Beryl Place may have previously been issued permits in error, possibly as the location

has been confused with Beryl Road, where a residents' parking scheme is in place.

"The council intends to develop a wider parking strategy in the near future, which could involve increased resident permit parking provision."

"Beryl Place is already on the waiting list for consideration."

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Scout Fete will be held on Saturday, July 1.

Between Romilly Primary School at the top of Park Crescent and All Saints' Church and Bethel Baptist Church at the other end, there are a host of long-established family businesses providing top services for local people and visitors to the town.

People love the buzz and friendliness of the area.

Hairdressing and beauty is a strong theme in Park Crescent.

One business that has built up a loyal clientele over a 15-year period is 'Cutting It by Sue' based at 116b Park Crescent.

Here, the ladies provide all sorts of hair styling and colouring. The salon caters for ladies, men and children. People can either walk in, or phone up and book a specific appointment.

Do you want a 'hair-do' for a summer wedding? Perhaps there's another special event on the horizon.

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The staff at Irene's - (from left to right) Mario, Rebecca and Danny.



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"From 9am until 3pm, Monday to Friday, we do special deals for senior citizens."

The business, which is also open through lunchtimes, is a member of the National Hairdressers' Federation. To book an appointment, call 01446 421300.

Chic Creations makes that extra effort

CHIC CREATIONS beauty salon welcomes clients including those who need extra attention because of health issues.

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THERESA PEREIRA, the owner of Tulip Bridal Wear, believes any bride-to-be should be able to relax and enjoy trying on their wedding dress, so much so, clients and guests are invited to afternoon tea!

The showroom is located at 6, St Nicholas Road, Barry, with ample parking for customers. Theresa explained that she was keen to create an unhurried and relaxing atmosphere.

"All people have to do is book an appointment for trying on a dress, and they can also enjoy afternoon tea. We can take groups of up to four people any afternoon Monday to Saturday."



Tulip Bridal's afternoon tea.

Appointments can be booked from 1pm to 3pm – Theresa and the staff understand that people might take up to a couple of hours, so there is no rushing anyone. There is a fee for tea, but it's refundable if a dress is purchased.

Clients can also browse the many wedding accessories and jewellery on display.

In fact, Theresa also has an 'in house' jewellery designer Janice who can make up individual designs for people. All someone has to do is supply a photo illustrating the sort of design they would like.

Tulip Bridal is Barry's five-star bridal shop. On Facebook Emily

said: "I popped into the shop two weeks ago to have a look at the headwear and veils. The ladies in the shop were so helpful as I'm a fussy bride."

"I found some headwear that I loved but it was too short. The lady offered to get a new one made for me, which was longer, by the person that makes them. I was thrilled. Ordered it on the Saturday and it arrived on the Wednesday after."

"Would recommend this shop to anyone as they are lovely, chatty and very helpful."

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Alison has an enthusiastic, holistic approach to people's pets: she sources everything, both on the practical side of pet ownership and the fun

side of it.

She said: "The business has been a story of development and progression. From Care 4 Pets, then starting the grooming, and when people asked us about pet food, we decided to open the pet shop. The three parts of the business tie together."

There are five groomers at Sleek & Chic; clients can call the salon on 01446 744633 for an appointment.

In the pet shop, Alison offers all the basic products, but has added in lots of fun ones like boutique items for small dogs such as special collars and harnesses.

She even supplies fun

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She's also supplies a lot of natural products such as raw food – Nutriment and Natures Menu. There's an in-house loyalty scheme.

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A 'Great Get Together' to remember MP



Jane Hutt
AM at a
"Great Get
Together".

CROWDS gathered at Barry Waterfront to remember the late Joe Cox at a "Great Get Together" event, part of a national weekend of events a year after her murder with the aim of bringing communities together.

Three local choirs, Barry Community Choir, Porthkerry Community Choir and Vale People First's Real Lives choirs got everyone singing at the event at the Academy Espresso coffee shop at the Pump House.

Everyone also sang a

new song. The words of Jo Cox's maiden speech in which she said, we have "far more in common with each other than things that divide us" has been set to music by Sue Harris.

Vale AM Jane Hutt, who also attended, said: "It was a wonderful event. There was a real feeling of joy and unity. I am enormously grateful to the wonderful choirs for a wonderful performance and for all the people who came and joined in."

A collection was held at the Barry event that raised £275 for the Grenfell Tower fire disaster and £60 for the Jo Cox Foundation.

'Equality' for miners' widows sought by AM

CARWYN Jones is backing calls for a review of the miners' pension scheme.

The First Minister and Bridgend AM was questioned on the issue at the National Assembly by Cynon Valley AM Vikki Howells, who told him that some miners' widows receive a pension of as little as £10 a week.

She asked if he would write to the UK Government, highlighting the way that reform of the scheme could not only benefit miners but also promote economic equality for miners' widows.

Mr Jones said the Welsh Government is strongly committed to supporting older people and promoting equality between genders.

He told Ms Howells: "That is reflected in the

Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015 and the strategy for older people, which supports action to address issues facing both women and men in later life.

"I met representatives from the South Wales National Union of Mineworkers a few weeks ago, and they outlined again the case for a review (of the pension scheme)."

"We will be writing to the newly-elected UK Government, requesting it to consider a review of the scheme."

"As a Government, we have indicated our support for a review of the current arrangements for the surpluses of the mineworkers' pension scheme. I wrote to the trade unions in February to reiterate our support."

Report by Michael Prosser

NEWS IN BRIEF

Valeways guided walks

ON Sunday, June 25 see Lavernock nature reserve and gun emplacements; meet at the car park by the visitor centre at Cosmeston Country Park, at 11am.

On Wednesday, June 28 at 10.30am the Coffee Shop Strollers meet at the Romilly Cafe at Cold Knap in Barry. Meet the same day in Cowbridge at 2.30pm by the Physic Garden fountain.

AM's surgery

VALE AM Jane Hutt will hold a surgery on Friday, June 23 at Celtic Way Community Centre Rhosce between 4pm - 5pm.

No appointment necessary.

BARRY SCOUTS & GUIDES

2017 ANNUAL FETE SATURDAY 1ST JULY 2017

THE ANNUAL BARRY SCOUT AND GUIDE FETE ENTERS ITS 64TH YEAR

THE a Môr Scout District and South East Glamorgan Girlguiding are pleased to be holding the 64th Barry Scout and Guide Annual Fete in Romilly Park on Saturday, July 1.

This year's fete celebrates 30 years of Rainbow (girls age 5-7) section of Girlguiding.

Our local Scout & Guide Groups are totally self-financing organisations with no government financial support.

It costs over £120,000 per annum to run these local Scouting and Girlguiding groups, all of which has to be raised by our supporters, and the Barry Scout & Guide Annual Fete is an important part of this ongoing task.

The first ever Scout Fete was held at Romilly Park in 1933, when it was called a KYMSPAUMI. The Scout Fetes were resurrected after the second World War, when the groups were desperate to raise funds. In 1985 the Scouts invited their sister movement

the Girlguides to take part.

Scouting and Girlguiding deliver life-changing adventures and opportunities to over 36,000 young people across Wales. Working alongside the youth members are thousands of adult volunteers who are crucial to the two movements delivering life changing opportunities to the young people of Wales.

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Scouting and Girlguiding have a huge variety of roles and opportunities available. If you are

interested in becoming an adult volunteer either in Girlguiding or in Scouting please contact the Fete Committee on BarryFete@catvog.org who will pass on your details.

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Out & About with The GEM

Gifted is a thoughtful and engaging watch

IT'S rare to see Chris Evans on screen in a non-Marvel role; after all, the man who brings Captain America to life has in the last six years made several films in that role, with only the likes of *Snowpiercer* and *Before We Go*, showcasing the actor's talent away from the role of the First Avenger.

Gifted is his latest film, which sees him star as Frank, a man who is looking after his young niece Mary (Mckenna Grace) following the suicide of her mother.

When Mary starts school she shows abilities that mark her

out to be far more intelligent than any child her age. But Frank is reticent for Mary to be treated any differently, and when his estranged mother Evelyn (Lindsay Duncan) seeks custody of Mary, Frank has to fight to keep her under his wing...

No doubt suffering some blockbuster fatigue, *Gifted* is an opportunity for Chris Evans to stretch his acting muscles; it also acts as something of a palate cleanser for director Marc Webb, last seen being vilified for the mundane *Amazing Spider-Man 2*.

As such it's a low-key film that keeps you watching throughout, without ever really kicking into a higher gear. It ticks some familiar boxes, but the charm of the cast and an emotional story that

connects make this a hugely watchable piece of work.

The highlight of the film isn't Evans, however, but rather his younger co-star Mckenna Grace. It seems you can't move for child prodigies in the acting profession, and Grace is yet another one to add to the list in a performance that is funny, tender and at times painfully raw.

It's mesmerising watching a 10-year-old girl hit the sort of range and notes that Grace manages to do here, veering from the precociousness of a child genius through to the childlike wonder of creating a new chant for her one-eyed cat, but her performance is so genuine that you never feel like you're watching a youngster act; instead Grace's superb turn shines

brightly in the film.

That's not to say that those around her don't pull their weight; it's a pleasure to see Evans in civvies for a few fleeting moments and not having to topline the latest Marvel blockbuster.

It's a character that feels a little predictable in parts, the handsome, mystery guy with a sad back-story, but Evans fills it out with more than just cliché, the relationship with Grace delivered superbly and Evans obviously delights in tackling something a little more satisfying artistically.

Jenny Slate, as the teacher who unwittingly puts the events of the film in motion, is most notably a comedic actress, but here she is strong as Frank's sounding board and part-time love interest. Lindsay Duncan's

Evelyn is another cut from predictable cloth, but again the class of the actress shines through and makes for something a little more interesting and engaging.

It's just a shame that Octavia Spencer is saddled with a nothing role as Frank's neighbour, a waste of the actress' considerable talents.

While the story moves through familiar motions, it does make interesting points about child prodigies and what is best for them – living a normal life in an extraordinary way, or being among gifted individuals and perhaps losing their childhood.

The script doesn't rush to judge either side of the argument, and it makes for interesting discussion post-viewing as to what you would do in the same situation.

Marc Webb gets over his post-Spider-Man blues by delivering something visually understated and driven wholly by performance.

While the music director in him comes out occasionally (there are some gorgeously shot scenes) this is more reminiscent of Webb's work on the incredible (500) *Days of Summer* than his dabbling with the webslinger, rooting the film in character and narrative.

Where the film doesn't quite work is its descent into courtroom drama that plays out with unerring predictability, as does the final 20 minutes which discards the rooted-in-reality element of the film and replaces it with something more melodramatic and less engaging.

While this blots the

copybook a little, there is still plenty to savour in this interesting and appealing piece of work – *Gifted* certainly isn't perfect but in these summer months, it's a pleasing change of pace.

VERDICT: It may sometimes fall on the side of predictable, with characters to match, but the charms of the performances, in particular Chris Evans and the incredible Mckenna Grace, make *Gifted* a worthwhile watch. While it never kicks into top gear, there's enough here to keep you interested from start to (slightly melodramatic) finish. *Enjoyable.*

SEE THIS IF YOU LIKED: *Good Will Hunting* (1998), (500) *Days of Summer* (2009).



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who will give a water-

colour demonstration.

Peter is a member of
the Royal Watercolour
Society of Wales and
exhibits widely in
galleries in Swansea,
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Penarth artist Becky
Adams (www.beckyadams.co.uk) on
Thursday will run a
workshop creating
small works of collage
on canvas.

The society meets on
Thursday evenings at
the Old Hall,
Cowbridge (7pm - 9
pm) and occasional

visitors and new
members are most
welcome. For details of
the society's programme
and activities see
www.cowbridgeart.society.org
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Porthcawl Farmers' Market
THE next Porthcawl Farmers' Market
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Tax advice
If you worry about your tax affairs – if you wonder whether you are paying the correct amount – Age Connects Cardiff and Vale are holding a free tax advice session at Age Connects Senior Health Shop, 38 Holton Road, Barry on Monday, June 26 from 9.30am – 11.30am.

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Hearing advice
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With Deaf/Blind Awareness Week, Deaf/Blind Cymru are holding a session at Age Connects Senior Health Shop, 38 Holton Road, Barry on Tuesday, June

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Call 01446 732385 for further information.

Energy advice
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Age Connects are holding a surgery at the Age Connects Senior Health Shop, Barry on Tuesday, June 27 from 10am to 12pm. No appointment needed; call 01446 732385 for further information.

Open day at the library
THE Rhoose Community Library is holding an open day on Saturday, July 1 from 11am till 3pm.

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Summer concert for Cardiff Bach Choir

A SUMMER concert by the Cardiff Bach Choir in aid of Tros Gynnal Plant will take place on Saturday, July 1, at 7pm in St Augustine's Church in Penarth.

Musical director Luke Spencer will present a varied selection entitled 'Music for a summer's evening' featuring old favourites and including music by Bach and John Rutter.

The choir will be joined Cardiff County and Vale of Glamorgan High Schools Brass Band and young soloists Manon Morris Parry and Llinos Jones, both from Penarth.

Last year's charity concert was very

popular, so book your tickets soon. They cost £15 to include a glass of wine or juice, and all money raised will go directly to help vulnerable children, young people and their families in this area and across Wales.

Karen Jones from Tros Gynnal Plant said: "We are grateful to the Cardiff Bach Choir for choosing to support us this year and helping us to raise our profile in Penarth. "We hope that everyone will come along and enjoy a wonderful evening."

Tickets are available from www.cardiffbachchoir.org.uk; www.ticketsource.co.uk/tros-gynnal-plant or from Karen Jones at Tros Gynnal Plant on 07883 858749.

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Champions League special trains!



MANY thousands of football fans travelled to Cardiff by train for the UEFA Champions League Final.

One problem is, where do you park an 11 carriage train while the match is being played? Also, where to refill the water tanks for the restaurant cars, clean the train and give the onboard teams a break?

John Buxton provided the answer at the Barry Tourist Railway. They were hosts to two special services that arrived at the depot after 6pm on Saturday evening.

Both trains had two diesel locomotives to provide power to reverse in and out of the depot before returning to Cardiff for forward movement to London Paddington and Victoria.

Pictured is the second train in the yard before its return to Cardiff and London.

Meet Sigma 3's Beth

WE'VE caught up with one of Sigma 3's newest designers, Beth, to discuss her love of designing and her favourite trends in the kitchen.

"While studying, I worked part-time for B&Q as a kitchen designer and I fell in love with designing, but decided to pursue a career in marketing."

"I quickly realised that I missed the excitement of working with customers to create their perfect home and the relationship that you build with a customer during the process."

"I was delighted when I was offered a job at the Culverhouse Cross showroom, I've been thoroughly welcomed and I'm blown away by the quality of the product and Sigma 3's attention to detail."

"I really enjoy the



Sigma 3 kitchen designer Beth.

journey that I am able to go on with my customer; from the initial stages of looking at the colour, to working on getting the design perfect to suit their needs, and then seeing the final outcome."

"Sigma 3 has an ever-growing range of products available which means I'm able to create a truly unique kitchen for

each of my customers."

"At the moment my favourite design trends would be statement doors – they give kitchens that 'wow' factor, no matter the shape and size of the room."

"Since beginning my journey as a Sigma 3 kitchen designer, my most memorable design has been a simple bank of units with a large island."

"The customer wanted a kitchen that was versatile as well as being a social place for the family."

"The kitchen is fast becoming the heart of the home, and it's our job as designers to ensure your kitchen becomes a place for the whole family to enjoy and create memorable memories."

To start your kitchen journey, pop in to the Cardiff Culverhouse Cross showroom or give Beth a call on 02920 593969. (See Sigma 3 advert on page 18).



The chair of Vale for Africa Gareth Kiddie, Vale AM Jane Hutt, Julie Morgan AM, Lord-Lieutenant of South Glamorgan, Morfudd Meredith and GP Dr Has Shah.

Vale for Africa pays heartfelt tribute to Rhodri Morgan

THE former First Minister, Rhodri Morgan, was remembered with a minute's silence at the latest fundraising event held by Vale For Africa, a Vale-based charity that works to improve health and education in the Tororo district of Uganda.

Local GP Dr Has Shah said that Rhodri had been a stalwart supporter of Vale for Africa and

would be very much missed.

Rhodri Morgan launched the Wales for Africa programme in 2006. Flowers were presented to Julie Morgan AM, who attended the event.

Projects run by Vale for Africa include an eyecare programme, a motorcycle ambulance scheme, a library scheme and a scholarship programme that enables a student from Tororo to study at Atlantic College in St Donats in the Vale.

Vale AM Jane Hutt, who is a member of Vale for Africa, said:

"Wales and Rhodri have always been 'outward looking'. Vale for Africa is part of the wonderful Wales for Africa programme Rhodri established."

"We are delighted that our latest scholarship student recently won a grant to tackle the issue of teenage pregnancy back in Tororo in Uganda where she will work among her peers. It is wonderful she wants to make a difference in her own community."

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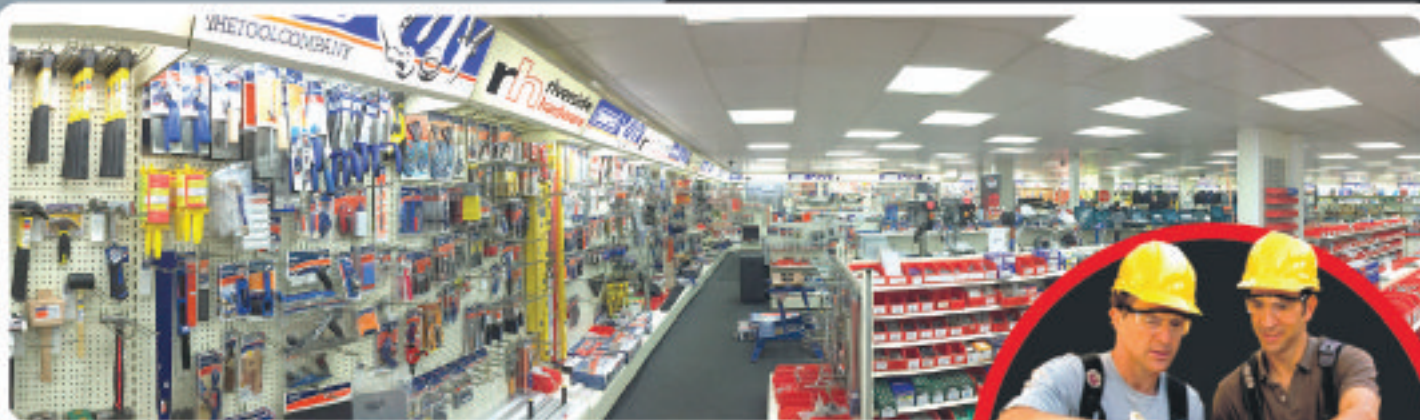
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National Trust visit

THE Vale of Glamorgan Association of National Trust Members and Volunteers is planning a four-day spring holiday next year, staying at The Metropole Hotel in Llandrindod Wells from April 20-23 on a dinner, bed and breakfast basis.

A visit to Powis Castle, excursion to Aberystwyth and a trip on the Vale of Rheidol Railway are included, with shared room prices from £289 per person.

Bookings (with deposits payable to Edwards Holidays) can be made at our anniversary celebration at Dyffryn on June 21, or any enquiries to vofgant@gmail.com.



Cadets see preview of Trooping the Colour

THE Barry Air Cadets recently travelled to London to see the full dress rehearsal [The Colonel's Review] of Trooping the Colour.

For information on 372 (Barry) Squadron, see oc.372@aircadets.org or call 07941 612695.

SPANISH STEPS FOR RESTAURANT STAFF

THE Bar 44 Tapas y Copas Group has surprised staff members across its restaurants by taking them on holiday to northern Spain.

The 'Bar 44 Road trip' will see owners Owen and Tom Morgan take eight of their highest performing employees to the Galicia region, starting in the city of La Coruna, which is famed for its exceptional wine and world class seafood. They will attend a tour of the Estrella Galicia brewery, dine at

Michelin starred restaurant Alborada and sail the Galician coast.

Owen Morgan said: "We are now nearly 15 years down the road and things have changed a lot in that time. The one thing that won't change is the quest to improve ourselves and to improve the company. We are delighted to be in a position to take staff away and share an experience like this with us and show them why we love everything about Spain."

The latest road trip is part of a tradition of organising secret

trips for top-performing staff.

Last year employees were taken on expeditions to a range of Spanish locations including Jerez de la Frontera, also known as the 'Sherry Triangle', to spend time with sherry producers learning all about how the authentic produce found at Bar 44 is harvested.

Mr Morgan said: "We love to reward the high performance of our workers with a well-earned break, but also these trips enrich their passion and knowledge for the work they do."

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CROWDS FLOCK TO GOLDSLAND FARM FOR OPEN FARMS SUNDAY IN THE VALE

**PHOTOGRAPHS
by MIKE WILCOCK**

OPEN Farms Sunday is now a hugely popular event in the Vale, and Abi Reader organised one in Wenvoe.

She said: "This is a national event with 358 farms taking part this year to showcase the diversity and importance of British farming."

"Goldsland Farm should be relatively experienced now and yet we were blown away by the level of interest all our visitors had for learning about our farm and our animals."

"Whilst we hosted under the banner of Goldsland Farm, in fact there were over 30 farmers, young farmers and rural friends who joined us for the day under the banner of British Food and Farming and helped make the day run smoothly, be it running tractors, driving tractors, shearing, or cooking..."



'My wife could lose £33,000!'

THE GEM followed the WASPI campaign in the months leading up to the general election.

WASPI stands for 'Women Against State Pension Inequality' and the campaign is fighting for fair transitional pension arrangements for women born in the 1950s, affected by changes to the state pension law.

Mr Malcolm Wilson from Barry got in touch with The GEM to illustrate just how disadvantaged some women have been.

He explained: "Regarding the article on the Waspi Network in The GEM, my wife was born in 1955 and despite paying national insurance all her working life, faces losing approximately £33,000, due to her pension being

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withheld. "It is worth remembering that the state pension is not a benefit but a right."

"This right is being denied to a large group of people for simply being born female."

"Shortly after finding out (though never officially notified) that her pension date had been moved from 60 to 65, the powers that be had the audacity to move it again to 66! This is tantamount to theft."

A WASPI spokeswoman said the campaign was grateful to candidates who had pledged support during the general election, and added: "We are fighting for fairness and justice for all women and want recognition of and compensation for the

mismanagement of the changes to the state pension age by successive governments."

"We will now continue our campaign with renewed vigour with the hope that the new government will consider our request."

A WASPI Vale Network was established last month. For women interested in the campaign, the website is: www.waspi.co.uk.

Dinas Powys village show

THE Dinas Powys village show takes place on Saturday, September 2.

The final schedule for the above has now been printed and is available from the following outlets: Dinas Powys Council Office, Britway Road; DP library, Fair Oaks; TH Jones Chemist, Cardiff Road; Brynawel Fuchsia and Garden Centre, Sully Road; Penarth library; Valley View Fruit Stores, Castle Drive; Nisa store, Cardiff Road; the Wild Blackberry Delicatessen, Elmgrove Road; White Gecko Craft Lounge, Camms Corner.

'DON'T BE A LITTER BUG!'

FRIENDS of Barry Beaches' next litter pick will be on Sunday, June 25 at Watchtower Bay, Barry, (Old Harbour/Knap).

Volunteers should meet near the tower at 3pm.

A spokesperson said: "Litter pickers and bags are provided, but would volunteers please wear suitable clothing and footwear and use

sunscreen.

"Children are always welcome, but we ask that they be accompanied by an adult."

"We would like to send out a plea to everyone enjoying this lovely, sunny weather: please enjoy yourself, but take your rubbish home or find a bin."

"There has been a disturbing amount of rubbish left on the beaches in the last week and we collected many disposable barbecues over the bank holiday weekend."

"Let's all appreciate this beautiful town we live in and keep it clean for everyone to enjoy. We look forward to welcoming volunteers, old and new to help keep Barry's beaches clean."

Councillors turn down plans for Aldi

AN application for an Aldi store on the Ty Verlon Estate was turned down by Vale's planning committee last week.

The matter had been deferred at a previous meeting for a site visit to take place.

The application was recommended for refusal by officers because it might involve the loss of an employment site and could adversely affect other local retail concerns.

Mr Rob Jones, the regional property director of Aldi, told councillors the company disagreed with the grounds for refusal, believing more shoppers would be encouraged to stay in the town, and pointing out that a new store would create 40 new jobs.

However, councillors voted to refuse the application. Members of the public can go to the Vale Council website if they want to see details of planning applications.

After Aldi decision is made... 'HOW DEMOCRACY WORKS - OR DOES IT?'

IN your last issue you reported that four people had objected to the proposed Aldi store, and 90 people had written in favour.

Might I suggest that this probably represents the ratio of residents in favour and those against? Amazing, then, that this proposal has once again been refused.

I could suggest Aldi appeal to a higher authority, but this only seems

to work when the overwhelming majority actually object to a proposal.

Examples are the church development in Windsor Road, approved with no adequate parking, surely a mistake, and the proposed incinerator, approved with terrific opposition.

Apparently we live in a democracy. You would never guess it with this sort of decision making.
John Deavall, Barry.

Summer starts in Penarth

TAKE TIME TO GET TO KNOW PENARTH... YOU WON'T REGRET IT!

JUST say the word 'Penarth' in south Wales and you can be confident that it will conjure up images of an elegant, chic town, far enough away from the hustle and bustle of Cardiff to be a haven of calm.

What's more, with the Wales Coastal Path running right through it, and with areas such as Cosmeston Park on its doorstep, in no time at all you can be right out in the countryside.

In times gone by, wealthy Cardiff merchants built their mansions on the hill – each with breathtaking views out over the Bristol Channel, and that view is just as good today.

The town was promoted as 'The Garden by the Sea' – with visitors coming from as far afield as the Midlands – and that is still just as true. A relaxed meander through Penarth's parks can take you away from the cares of the day.

However, it would be very wrong to get the impression that Penarth is a touch 'sleepy'.

Here's how Penarth Town Council describes it: "It is a bustling, vibrant town with independent shops, businesses, restaurants, cafes as well as an award-

winning Victorian Pier and Pavilion, historic St Augustine's Church, a site as old as 1242, and more recently the location of a discovery of a new species of dinosaur!"

Just wander around Penarth and it is easy to confirm this. (Well, apart from the dinosaur, obviously!)

You are spoilt for choice with cafes, many independently run, and the same is true for restaurants, fashion boutiques and the full range of shops.

Cath Harris runs the hair salon, Cut & Styled, which is in the centre of town.

She said: "We all feel so comfortable here in Penarth. We have a great clientele and it's a pleasure to come to work here. "After all, I've been in this salon for 35 years!"

The salon has a range of stylists that means they can cover all the styling and colouring requirements of young and older customers.

Cath added: "I just love arriving in Penarth and driving along the seafront. I can't think of a better place to work."

The afore-mentioned pier and pavilion are still a real jewel in the crown of Penarth.

Heritage Lottery funding brought it well and truly back to its former glory,

and its history is fascinating too – all laid out in a series of murals inside the building.

In fact, the pier has become a staple for TV and film crews looking for a great location.

In recent years, *Torchwood* has filmed there, and recently Channel 4 filmed scenes from its scary psycho-drama, *Born to Kill* there.

The town has its own special event, too, the Penarth Downhill Derby, and it is just around the corner!

Spectators can head for the Esplanade on Saturday, July 8 to see Penarth's karts take to Cliff Hill for the race of their lives.

There'll be stalls, classic cars, food and drink and a chance to see some of the weird and wonderful vehicles made across Wales before their journey down the hill.

The event was featured on TV quite recently, in the *Glamorgan Coastal Lives* BBC Wales TV series. You can also check out footage of last year's event. Just type in 'Downhill Derby, Penarth' to watch it on YouTube.

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Get your hair cut at Just 4 Gents

JUST 4 Gents barbershop, a family-run enterprise, is successfully entering its ninth year of business.

Owners Alex and Caroline, and their staff, are state registered barbers at an advanced level certified by the British Barbers' Association.

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That first shop was established in Cardiff in 2011 because they believed that gents just weren't getting the quality and standard of service they wanted or deserved.

Penarth manager Dave told The GEM: "Groom For Men quickly became the place to go and relax – knowing you were getting the best barbers

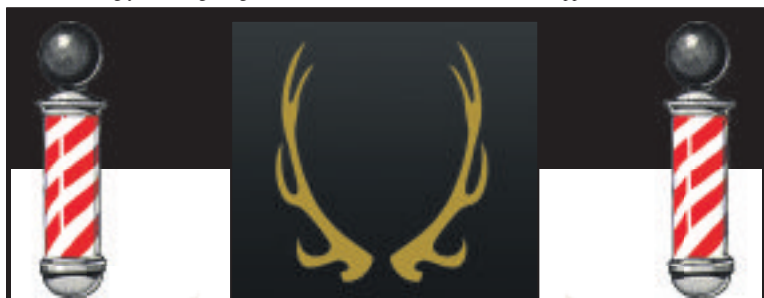
and service available.

"So, in 2014 Groom for Men expanded into Penarth and it has been a massive hit, with more than just the locals calling in.

"People travel from all over Cardiff and the Vale to have their hair cut in a comfortable, relaxed environment with free refreshments and friendly knowledgeable staff.

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Gorgeous Penarth has plenty to offer

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It's interesting to look at things that have developed in the area which have added to the vibrancy of Penarth.

Certainly, the marina came along and gave the town a whole new aspect, and even more significant, I think, was the Cardiff Barrage.

What the creation of the barrage did was fix Penarth firmly on the walking/cycling trail.

Although I live in Porthcawl (not a bad place to walk) one of my favourite outings is to meet family and friends in Cardiff Bay and then head off across the barrage to Penarth.

Find a cafe or pub when you get there, do some shopping and head back – and it is noticeable how many people do the same thing – not to mention cyclists who are perhaps heading further afield.

Penarth is also so well catered for in sport and leisure. The Cogan Leisure Centre has been there some time now, but the town's closeness to the

International Sports Village is a real bonus.

Certainly, it is just a short walk from the marina to the white water rafting centre, and that in itself, is an excellent place to stop off on a walk.

Penarth has not stood still in recent years. It may have a proud history, and it retains the best of that, but it has so much more as well!

PHILIP IRWIN

***SEE MORE OF WHAT LOCAL BUSINESSES CAN OFFER YOU ON PAGE 31.**

Top award for estate agents

WATTS & Morgan have just won The British Property Awards for Penarth.

Their team performed outstandingly throughout the extensive judging period, which focused on customer service levels.

Watts & Morgan have now been shortlisted for a number of national awards which will be announced later in the year at a lavish ceremony in central

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PHEW! WHAT A SCORCHER!

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In weather like this, we all need some style and airy comfort between our feet and the warm pavements and (if we're lucky), the hopping-hot sand.

Our new sandal collections for toddlers, kids, women and men will keep feet cool and breathing while looking great – whether you're the sun-kissed skin type or a true-Brit sock-liner.

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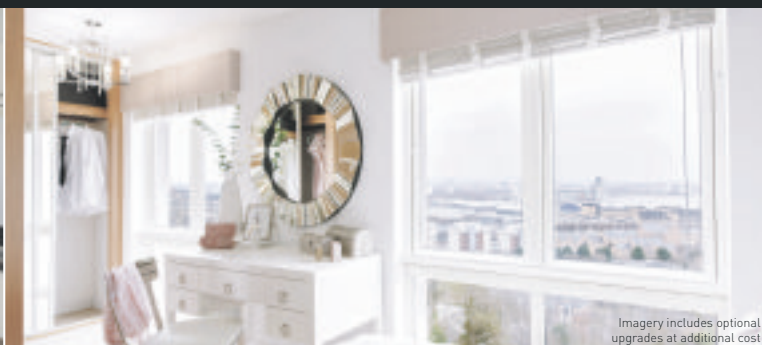


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Trio of crime writers at Penarth's Lit Festival



Writer and broadcaster Natalie Haynes will be appearing at Penarth Literature Festival in July.

A VARIETY of fiction events will be on the agenda at this year's Penarth Literature Festival, to be held July 7-10.

On the evening of July 7, authors Clare Donoghue, JM Gulvin and Jan Newton will be discussing the importance of place in crime fiction, with settings for their thrillers ranging from New Orleans to North Somerset, via mid-Wales.

Then at 2pm on Saturday, July 8 the popular romantic novelist Veronica Henry, author of the bestseller *How to Find Love in a Bookshop* will be discussing her latest book *The Forever House* with bookshop owner Mel Griffin.

Sunday afternoon's programme features Barry-based publishing executive Miranda

Emmerson who, in a change from promoting other people's work, will be talking about her own debut novel. *Miss Treadway and the Field of Stars* is a charming vintage mystery set in London's theatreland.

Finally at 2pm on Monday, July 10, the writer, broadcaster and classicist Natalie Haynes, well known to Radio 4 listeners, will be discussing her novel *The Children of Jocasta*, a retelling of the Oedipus myth from the perspective of its often overlooked female characters.

To book tickets for these and all other Penarth Literature Festival events, including non-fiction and children's events, go to www.griffinbooks.co.uk, or contact Griffin Books on 02920 706455.

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Rhoose WI members board the SS Great Britain

SPRING and early summer have been an enjoyable mix of business and pleasure for Rhoose WI.

The season began with the annual spring fair and coffee morning in early May. This was very successful, with visitors enjoying the various stalls, including craft, plants, cakes and tombola.

The following week a group of members attended the annual meeting of the Glamorgan Federation of WIs at Port Talbot.

The speaker was the first British astronaut Dr Helen Sharman, who gave an enthralling account of her career, from being a chemist at the Mars sweet company to becoming an astronaut who made a journey to the space station, where she spent a week.

A few days later, Rhoose WI held its own annual meeting which was overseen by WI adviser, Pam Dinam.

In their reports the president, secretary and treasurer outlined another successful year full of a variety of events and activities.

President Jenny Reed thanked the committee members individually for all their hard work over the year and Ms Dinam congratulated the WI on its vibrancy and for its commitment to all the extra-curricular clubs and events.

The committee was re-elected unanimously and all officers remain in post. Light relief followed at the June meeting when members took part in a pastime which many had not played for many years - a Beetle Drive!

Everyone enjoyed the game, which provided opportunities to mix and chat as the winners of

each round moved from table to table.

The latest event in this summer season was the educational trip, when a visit was paid to the SS Great Britain at Bristol. The weather was glorious, enabling everyone to enjoy the waterside views of Bristol Docks as they waited to board the ship.

The guided tour provided insight into life aboard the ship during its heyday as a passenger ship to Australia, demonstrated by the beautifully restored accommodation from first class to steerage.

It was fascinating to compare the lives of the privileged travellers with the overcrowded communal accommodation of the steerage passengers.

It was also interesting to learn of the many roles of this beautiful vessel, from its launch as the biggest, fastest passenger ship in 1843, to its return to Bristol from the Falkland Islands in the 1970s; having also sailed as a troop ship to the Crimea and as a cargo ship in the intervening years.

After refreshment at the quayside cafe, the WI members repaired to Cribbs Causeway for shopping before the journey home.

Members are now looking forward to the rest of the summer programme, the next part of which will be the July meeting on the 6th, when members will be able to watch a demonstration of Belly Dancing and also participate if they wish!

The meeting will be at 7.30pm at the Community Hall, Stewart Road and new members and visitors will be most welcome to attend.

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NEWS IN BRIEF

Cancer Research UK

PENARTH fundraising committee for Cancer Research UK are going to have a very busy day on Saturday, July 1.

They are holding a summer fair at the Paget Rooms starting at 10.15am. There will be cakes, plants, jams and chutneys, cards and a lucky dip parcel stall. Entry £1 includes a cup of tea or coffee and biscuits.

In the evening at the Penarth Conservative Club there will be a quiz. The first question will be at 7.30pm. Teams can consist of up to six people and the cost will be £5 per head which includes nibbles.

There will also be a raffle and a 'Clock in a Box' fundraiser. To register a team call 020 531933 or email CRUKPenarth@outlook.com

We hope you can come along to support our events and help raise funds for vital research to beat cancer.

LIFT group

THE Lift Group offers friendship and support to those affected by breast cancer. We meet in Cowbridge once a fortnight, either between 10am and 1pm for relaxation therapies or 2pm to 4pm for other activities such as speakers or trips out. Come and join us, bring a friend, for friendly, supportive and confidential get-togethers.

If you know anyone who might benefit from this group, call Anne on 01446 772843 or Judith on 01446 794176. We look forward to seeing you.



GŴYL FACH Y FRO 2017 – Y GORAU ETO!



MAE Menter Bro Morgannwg yn falch iawn i gyhoeddi y gwelwyd cynnydd sylweddol eto yn nifer yr ymwelwyr i'r ŵyl yn ei thrydedd blwyddyn.

Daeth dros 6,500 o ymwelwyr i fwynhau'r ŵyl rhad ac am ddim yma ar Ynys y Barri ddydd Sadwrn – cynnydd o dros 100% i'w gymharu â llynedd (3,000).

Roedd yr ŵyl yn cynnwys perfformiadau cerddorol, dawns a theatr, stondinau crefft a chynnyrch Cymraeg, bar Tomos & Lilford, stondinau bwyd, adloniant stryd, ac amryw o weithdai crefft, syrcau a chwaraeon. Am y tro cyntaf eleni roedd Ardal Chwarae Bwrlwm i ddathlu lansio darpariaeth chwarae newydd bydd yn cael ei gynnal dros wyliau'r haf, ac roedd gweithgareddau'r ardal hon yn cynnwys beic bybls, disgo a gweithdai creadigol gyda Green City Events.

Roedd y line-up yn cynnwys rhai o artistiaid mwyaf blaengar y sin gerddoriaeth Gymraeg – Bryn Fôn a'r Band, Candelas, HMS Morris, Eady Crawford, Band Nantgarw a Band Jazz Rhys Taylor. Camodd gannoedd o ddisgyblion o ysgolion Cymraeg y Sir hefyd i'r llwyfan i berfformio yn ystod y prynhawn.

Wrth siarad am lwyddiant yr ŵyl eleni, dywedodd y Cynghorydd John Thomas, Arweinydd



Cyngor Bro Morgannwg: "Roedd yn wych i weld cymaint o drigolion, ac ymwelwyr, yn mwynhau Gŵyl Fach y Fro dros y penwythnos. Gyda'r lleoliad unigryw, tywydd gwych, stondinau yn gwerthu cynnyrch a chrefftiau Cymraeg, ac amrywiaeth o weithgareddau Cymraeg, mae'r ŵyl yn esiampl gwych o'r hyn sydd gan Bro Morgannwg i'w cynnig."

Dywedodd Rob Thomas, Rheolwr

Gyfarwyddwr y Cyngor: "Mae'r Cyngor yn falch iawn i weithio mewn partneriaeth gyda Menter Bro Morgannwg i lwyfannu digwyddiad mor llwyddiannus ac rydym wrth ein boddau i weld yr ŵyl yn mynd o nerth i nerth bob blwyddyn."

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GŴYL FACH Y FRO 2017 – THE BEST YET!



MENTER Bro Morgannwg are very pleased to announce that the festival has grown substantially and attracted many more visitors once again to this year's event.

Over 6,500 people attended this free and inclusive festival which was held on Barry Island on Saturday – an increase of more than 100% compared to last year (3,000).

Gŵyl Fach y Fro included musical performances, dance and theatre, craft stalls selling local Welsh produce, Tomos & Lilford bar, food stalls, street entertainers, and a variety of arts and craft, circus and sports workshops. For the first time this year the event included a Bwrlwm Play Area, to celebrate the launch of our new open access play provision for primary aged children which will run during the summer holidays, and activities in this area included bubble bikes, disco bikes and creative workshops with Green City Events.

The line-up included some of the biggest names in the Welsh music scene – Bryn Fôn a'r Band, Candelas, HMS Morris, Eady Crawford, Band Nantgarw and Band Jazz Rhys Taylor – all of which were performing on Barry Island for the first time. Hundreds of local school children also took to the stage to perform throughout the afternoon.

Cllr John Thomas, Leader of the Vale of Glamorgan Council, said: "It was fantastic to see so many residents, and visitors, enjoying Gŵyl Fach Y Fro over the weekend. With the location, fantastic weather, the



various stalls selling local Welsh produce and gifts, and Welsh-language activities, it provided a great example of what the Vale of Glamorgan has to offer."

Meanwhile, Rob Thomas, Managing Director of the Council, said: "The Council is very pleased to be working in partnership with Menter Bro Morgannwg to deliver such a successful event and it is particularly pleasing to see the event going from strength to strength."

We are in the process of evaluating this year's event, and have created an online survey to collect feedback from those that attended. The online survey can be found on Menter's website: www.menterbromorgannwg.cymru



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Awards presented at Llantwit Major Tennis Club AGM



Michael Sherratt (on the right).



Neil Davies.

THERE was a great turn out for the Llantwit Major Tennis Club AGM on Friday.

Over the last year since the club reopened we have made great progress.

Thanks to Llantwit Major Council and club volunteers, there are now four courts up and running which have been

brushed and relined. Membership has grown to 67 and we hope with the start of Wimbledon we can get even more members.

There is a comprehensive coaching programme in place from Vale Tennis Academy and the club regularly takes part in South Wales League doubles matches, gaining promotion in the winter mixed league this

year. There is currently an opportunity to renew club fees at 2016 rates which closes on July 1.

Prizes were awarded at the AGM. Winner of player of the year was Neil Davies and winner of most improved player was Michael Sherratt.

To celebrate Wimbledon, our courts will be open every evening from 5.30pm-7.30pm during the two weeks of the Wimbledon tournament – everyone is welcome.

For more information about the club go to www.llantwitennis.co.uk or find us on Facebook.

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Caoimhe is on target!



Caoimhe Broomfield.

C A O I M H E BROOMFIELD, a year-7 student at Cowbridge Comprehensive School, recently won archery gold in the Welsh Field and Open Championships which took place at Fonmon, beating her previous winning score last year by two points.

Caoimhe has also taken a gold in the Welsh and Open Indoor Championships in her age group and category for the last two years, and a gold in the International Field Archery Association World Postal Indoors. Caoimhe currently holds three Welsh records for field, hunter and marked animal rounds.

Well done Caoimhe, the school is very proud of your achievements. AS

LATEST NEWS FROM MILLWOOD BOWLS CLUB

ON Wednesday, Millwood visited Penarth Windsor for a Munro Cup fixture and on a very pleasant sunny bowling evening against a strong home side, the team acquitted themselves well.

After a slow start, at five ends played Millwood found themselves trailing 22 shots to 7 and after 10 ends the differential had not narrowed at all.

Over the final eight ends the rinks skipped by Peter Taylor and Brian Crockford were unable to reduce their deficits, while the rinks led by Keith Davies and Nick Parry gradually overhauled their opponents to gain narrow wins, 15-13 and 20-17 respectively, so well done to both rinks.

Windsor won overall by 69 shots to 51 shots, taking 10 points to Millwood's four.

Saturday saw a return to league action for the club with the visit of Treharris/Trelewis for a Division 4 game.

Under sunny skies Millwood got off to a flying start and were soon ahead on three of

the four rinks, with the Gary Williams-skipped rink having difficulty getting in front of the opposition.

This was thanks, in no small part, to the opposing skip playing very well and keeping his rink on all match to record the only winning rink for the visitors.

Peter Taylor, after his difficulties midweek, returned to form, leading his rink to a comfortable 20-12 victory.

Brian Crockford and his rink, after a tight struggle in the middle ends of the game, came good over the last five ends, winning finally, 26-20.

Keith Davies and his rink got off to a flyer and after 15 ends were running away with the game, 25-8, but as we all know, it's never over until the fat lady sings

and full credit goes to their opponents, who nearly pulled off a memorable victory, with Keith and his team eventually winning 25-23.

Overall, Millwood won by 82 shots to 75, taking 12 points to two points as a result. Well done to all concerned.

Meanwhile, Millwood A travelled to Rhiwbina for a friendly against a side who we normally would not play and on a green which rolled a lot faster than the team would normally encounter.

The result was not important as everyone enjoyed themselves and many thanks must go to Rhiwbina for the invitation and their hospitality.

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NEWS FROM BARRY RFC

THE lottery numbers for last week were 12, 15, 21 and 24, which again was not won – the prize for next week will be £5,175.

The report and pictures of the recent club presentation evening will be published next week.

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Beauties and beasts at Barry

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THE Barry Island Festival of Transport was a roaring success again, aided in part by good weather and also by its prime location, but perhaps most by the wide range of vehicles displayed from far and wide.

Be it two, four, six or even three wheels, almost every petrolhead found something they liked.

There were Jaguars and Midgets, Cadillacs and Minis, police cruisers and hot hatches, and a luridly-painted, bug-eyed Messerschmitt bubble car, the latter with a canopy almost straight from a German WWII fighter (*right*).



One of the rarest present was the Gilbern Invader YTX 595H (*right*), which was handbuilt in small numbers between 1969 and 1972 in Llantwit Fardre, then in Glamorgan.



Art exhibition extended

BARUC Art Group's exhibition has been extended at the Travellers Gallery in Barry Town Station until the end of June.

Jane Hutt AM visited the exhibition and enjoyed a coffee with MIND in the Vale volunteer Lorna Davies.



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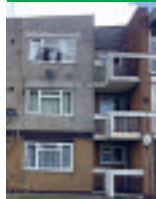


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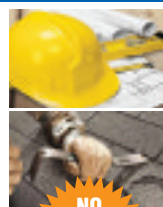
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Family Notices

BOWEN
Glyndwr (Glyn)

Suddenly but peacefully after short illness on 13th June at the University Hospital of Wales Cardiff, Glyn of Holly Court, Barry. Dearly loved husband of Sian, devoted dad of Scott and Gemma, cherished and adored bampy to Teah-Rose, Lilly-Grace and Poppy and dear brother to Lewis and the late Robert and Jane.

Glyn will be sadly missed by all his family and friends.

Funeral Tuesday, 27th June, service and cremation at Cardiff and Glamorgan Crematorium, Barry at 1pm. Family flowers only, donations in lieu may be made to Creutzfeldt-Jakob Disease CJD (cheques made payable to The University of Edinburgh) c/o Mel & Ron Watkins Funeral Services, 2 Hilda House, The Square, Pencoed, Bridgend, CF35 5NP. Tel: 01656 860545.

DUNGEY
John

Sadly after a long illness fought with great courage and dignity, John, aged 50 years. Beloved husband of Emma, much loved dad of Lucy, Amy and Lewis. *John will be greatly missed by all his family and friends.*

Resting at A.G. Adams Funeralcare until the service at All Saints Church on Monday, 26th June 2017 at 11.30am, followed by private family only committal at Cardiff & Glamorgan Crematorium. No flowers by request, donations in lieu, if so desired would be gratefully appreciated for The RNLI or Marie Curie c/o the funeral director.

GRANELLI
Cheryl Anne
(Née Morgan)

Cher passed away suddenly but peacefully at home. Beloved wife of Jason, devoted mum to Victoria and Kayleigh. Loving daughter of Margaret and the late Richard. Much loved mother-in-law, sister, auntie and friend.

Funeral service at Boverton Cemetery on Thursday, 29 June at 1pm. Flowers may be sent to J.R. & M.F. David, Ewenney Road, St Brides Major. By request no red and white mixed flowers.

WILLIAMS
Karl

28 June 1974 - 19 July 2000

The gates of memories will never close, How much we miss you, no one knows, Days will pass away into years and we'll think about those memories with silent tears

Happy Birthday

Love you always

Mum, Dad, Kristian, Gemma, Curtis & Lacey

xxx

Also, Happy Birthday Leighton Batt on 3 July.

Thinking of you both, I bet you will have a great Birthday party up there.

Birthday

Sue Baker

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★ Happy Birthday! 28th June
with love from all your friends at The Gem xxx

ROSCROW
Janice Loraine

Peacefully on 10th June 2017, at Holme Towers, Janice of Danes Court, Cardiff. Beloved wife of Alan, mum of Mark and Paul, mother-in-law of Susan and Melanie and grandmother to Austen, Samuel, Gemma and Adam.

Will be sadly missed by her family and friends.

Funeral service to be held at 1.15pm on Tuesday, 27th June at Wenallt Chapel, Thornhill Crematorium, Cardiff. Family flowers only please. Donations in lieu of flowers, if desired, to Marie Curie c/o W.H. Preene & Son, Mwyndy, Pontyclun, CF72 8PN. Tel (01443 223368)

FIELD
Clive (Arthur)

Sadly passed away at University Hospital Wales on the 11th June, aged 67.

Arthur will be deeply missed by all who loved and knew him.

A service to celebrate Arthur's life will be held on Friday, 30th June at Cardiff and Vale Crematorium, Port Road, Barry at 12 noon. Family flowers only. By request donations in lieu of flowers to the Dogs Trust. These can be made at the service or sent to the Funeral Director. Resting at Robert D. Johnson Funeral Directors, 29 Holton Road, Barry, 01446 733844.

SHOWELL
Yvonne Kaye

Peacefully on June 11 at the University Hospital of Wales, Cardiff, Yvonne of Llantwit Major. Beloved wife of the late Michael, dearly loved mother of Nicholas.

Resting at the Private Funeral Home of W James & Sons, Fomfon. Funeral Tuesday June 27, service and cremation 2.15pm at Coychurch Crematorium, Bridgend. Family flowers only may be sent to the funeral home, donations in lieu, if desired, to Macmillan Nurses c/o J James, 11 Fomfon Road, Rhosce, Vale of Glamorgan, CF62 3DZ.

HANMER
Ruth Louisa (Née Lyons)

Peacefully at Y Bwthyn Newydd, on Thursday, June 15th, Ruth of Bodringallt Farm, Coychurch. Beloved wife of Idris John, caring mother of Idris and Meryl and loving daughter of Esme and the late Tom Lyons.

Will be sadly missed by her family and friends.

Funeral Friday, June 30th, service at St Mary's RC Church, Bridgend at 1pm, followed by interment at Coychurch Parish Churchyard. Family flowers only, donations, if so desired for Epilepsy Action c/o W.H. Preene & Son, Mwyndy, Pontyclun, CF72 8PN (Tel 01443 223368).

LUEN
Dorothy Ann

Peacefully on 17 June at the Marie Curie Hospice, Penarth, Dorothy Luen, aged 87 years. Beloved wife of the late Peter. Dearly loved mother of Erica and Ann. Cherished grandmother of Joe, Heidi, April, Sophie and Mark. Great grandmother of Josh, Morgan, Ruby and Rosie.

She will be greatly missed by all who knew and loved her.

Dorothy is in the care of Park Funerals, Ty Newydd Road, Barry. Funeral service on Thursday, 29 June at 2pm at Cardiff & Glamorgan Crematorium, Port Road East, Barry. No flowers please. Donations may be handed to funeral director after the funeral for Marie Curie. Please wear traditional dress with a splash of colour.

Acknowledgement

PARRY
Violet Eveline

The family would like to take this opportunity to thank all who attended her recent funeral, and also those who could not attend but sent such messages of heartfelt sympathy. Also to the Reverend Moira Spence, who so kindly stepped in to offer comfort and guidance at this sad time.

Your support was greatly appreciated by Pete, her children, grandchildren, daughter and sons-in-law. Thanks to all who attended her wake afterwards and contributed to a 'Good Auld Irish' send off!

TURNER
Edward Henry (Ted)

Passed away 22nd June 2016

Gone but not forgotten

Always in our thoughts

Missed by family & friends

COOK
Nigel

Your little girl is now tall and talented and even more beautiful. She looks so much like you.

We have missed you every single day for 20 years and will always do so.

Rest in peace my darling.

Christine and Rachel

COOK
Nigel

20 years on...
not a day
goes by...

your loving brother,
Richard

KLEE
Karon

Loved you yesterday,
love you still,
always have,
always will.

Sadly missed.
Love mum, dad,
sister Pauline

MORGAN
Peter Ernest

Sadly on 26th May 2017 whilst on holiday in France, Pete, formerly of Newlands Street, Barry. *Sadly missed by all who loved him.*

Resting at A.G. Adams Funeralcare until the service in the Chapel of Rest on Monday, 26th June at 3pm, followed by committal at Cardiff & Glamorgan Crematorium. No flowers by request, donations in lieu, if so desired, for Barry Life Boats c/o the funeral director.

RINGHAM

Edna Irene (Née Robertson)

Peacefully on Friday, 16th June at Bellavista Nursing Home with her family at her bedside, Edna, loving wife of Horace John Ringham passed away.

She will be greatly missed by all who knew and loved her.

Resting at The Vale Funeral Service, Court Road, Barry until a celebration of her life at Cardiff and Glamorgan Crematorium on Wednesday, 28th June at 2pm. Family flowers only. Donations if desired can be made at the service to support Dementia UK in memory of Edna.

DYKE
Philip

June 23, 2013

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Cynhelir cyfweiliadau ar 11, 12 & 13 Gorffennaf 2017 yn Swyddfeydd Cyngor Tref Y Barri.

Public Notices

NOTICE OF CONFIRMATION OF PUBLIC PATH ORDER HIGHWAYS ACT 1980 THE VALE OF GLAMORGAN COUNCIL (PUBLIC FOOTPATH NO 12 PENARTH) PUBLIC PATH DIVERSION ORDER 2017

On the 25 May 2017 the Vale of Glamorgan Council confirmed the above Order made under section 119 of the Highways Act 1980.

The effect of the Order as confirmed is to divert the public footpath to the southwest of Gwent Ty Mawr from a line running in a west south westerly direction from NGR 317003 170982 to Sully Road (NGR 316848 170600) to a line running in a westerly direction from NGR 317003 170982 to Sully Road (NGR 316816 170671) as set out in the Schedule and shown in the Order map.

A copy of the Order as confirmed and the Order map have been placed and may be seen free of charge at the Docks Office, Subway Road, Barry, Vale of Glamorgan CF63 4RT during normal office hours. Copies of the Order and map may be bought there at a price of £4.50.

This Order comes into force on 25 May 2017, but if a person aggrieved by the Order wishes to question its validity, or that of any provision contained in it, on the ground that it is not within the powers of the Highways Act 1980, as amended, or on the ground that any requirement of the Act, as amended, or of any regulation made under the Act has not been complied with in relation to the Order, he or she may, under paragraph 2 of Schedule 2 to the Act as applied by paragraph 5 of Schedule 8 to the Act, within 6 weeks from 22 June 2017 make an application to the High Court.

Dated 22 June 2017



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Ar 25 Mai 2017 cadarnhaedd Cyngor Bro Morgannwg y Gorchymyn uchod a wnaed dan adran 119 Ddeddf Prifffyrdd 1980.

Efallai y Gorchymyn fel y'i cadarnhawyd yw dargyfeirio'r lwybr broed cyhoeddus i'r de-ddwyrain o Gwent Ty Mawr o linell sy'n rhedeg i gyfeiriad gorllewin de-ddwyrain o NGR 317003 170982 i Sully Road (NGR 316848 170600) i linell sy'n rhedeg i gyfeiriad gorllewin o NGR 317003 170982 i Sully Road (NGR 316816 170671) fel y'i rhestrwyd yn yr Amodau ac fel a ddangosir yn map y Gorchymyn.

Mae copi o'r Gorchymyn fel y'i cadarnhawyd a map y Gorchymyn wedi eu gosod a gellir myned i'w gweld am ddim yn Swyddfa'r Docks, Heol yr Ifforddi, y Barr, Bro Morgannwg, CF63 4RT yn ystod oriau swyddfa arferol. Gallir prynu copïau o'r Gorchymyn a map y Gorchymyn yno am £4.50.

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Dyddiad: 22 Mehefin 2017

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The Application is to allow for the serving of alcohol between the hours of 11am to 11pm Monday to Saturday and 11am to 10pm on Sunday.

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Barry's war dead June 1917 – Lest We Forget

TO mark the centenary of World War One, Paul Kemp of the Barry at War group has supplied this sadly, substantial listing of Barry men who died in just one month in 1917, 100 years ago.

Driver William Richard Conibear of 'D' Battery, 106th Brigade, Royal Field Artillery was killed in action on June 4, 1917.

Aged 20, the son of William Richard and Ellen W Conibear of Teegoffe Cottage, Linkinhorne, Callington, Cornwall and native of St Neot, Liskeard. He was born in Barry and is buried in Railway Dugouts Burial Ground (Transport Farm), Belgium.

Corporal (Gunner) John Benjamin Bartlett of 'A' Bn. Machine Gun Corps (Heavy Branch) was killed in action in the Battle of Messines on June 7.

Aged 29, he was the son of the late Mr and Mrs David Bartlett of 49 Cowbridge Road, Pontyclun, and husband of Edna Myfanwy Bartlett, of Pen y Bryn, 55 Tynewydd Road, Barry.

He is buried in grave A18, Underhill Farm Cemetery, Ploegsteert, Belgium.

Private Richard G Chilcott of 16 Platoon, D Coy, 6th Bn. Somerset Light Infantry was killed in action on June 9. The youngest brother of Mr HJ Chilcott of 24 Harvey Street, Cadroxton, Barry he is buried in the Heninel Communal Cemetery Extension, France.

Correspondence with his sister Mrs AM Palmer of 23 Hunter Street, Cadroxton survives and includes his last letter to his sister dated May 30 and her last letter to him dated June 12 which was returned unopened.

The local paper reported: "Official news has reached the family of their brother's death in action. He was previously wounded (gunshot wound left thigh) on the 26th August, after treatment at Harlow Hospital returned to the front on March 21st and was killed by a shell on the 9th June 1917. He was 20 years of age and prior to the war was employed by the Barry Railway Company and resided with his sister at 23 Hunter Street."

Fireman and trimmer George Thomas of the SS Marie Elsie, Mercantile Marine, died on June 10 as a result of an attack by an enemy submarine.

Aged 49, he was the son of William and Mary Thomas of 2 Lombard Street, Barry, born at Lisvane, Cardiff. On June 10, the SS Marie Elsie on a voyage from Penarth to Archangel'sk with a cargo of coal was sunk by the German submarine U-28 (Georg Schmidt) 125 miles NW of Cape Teriberski. Three persons were lost.

Private Charles William Brown of the 16th Bn., Royal Welsh Fusiliers was killed in action on June 14. Aged 31, the son of Bessie Hill (formerly Brown), of 298 Holton Road, Barry Dock, and the late William John Brown, he is buried in Essex Farm Cemetery, near Ypres, Belgium.

Private John Hybart of the 9th Bn. East Surrey Regiment was killed in action on June 16. He has no known grave and is commemorated on the Menin Gate Memorial to The Missing, Ypres, Belgium. He was born in Barry, the son of Henrietta Hybart.

Private Richard Hayne of the 1st Bn. the Rifle Brigade was killed in action on June 23. He has no known grave and thus is commemorated on the Arras Memorial, France. Aged

22, he was the son of Edmund and Martha Hayne of 100 Queen Street, Barry.

On the night of June 23 at 10.30 pm 'B' Company of the 1st Bn. the Rifle Brigade attacked German positions. Initially all went well, seven German prisoners were taken and numerous casualties inflicted, but as the attacking force withdrew over No Man's Land they took many casualties including Hayne, whose body was not recovered.

Private Charles Elmer Williams of the 1st Bn. Middlesex Regiment was killed in action on June 25. He has no known grave and thus is commemorated on the Arras Memorial, France.

Aged 23, he was born in Barry Dock, Glamorgan, the son of John Williams of 150 Arran Street, Roath, Cardiff, and the husband of Edythe Williams.

Lance Corporal Arnold Dickens of the 19th Bn. Welsh Regiment was killed in action on June 26. He is buried in Bard Cottage Cemetery, Belgium.

The Barry Dock News reported "OUR BRAVE HEROES AT THE FRONT – FORMER POLICE OFFICER KILLED. Captain (JD) Black, adjutant of 19th Welsh (Pioneer) Regiment, has written to Mr and Mrs JW Dickens, 83 George Street, Barry Docks, informing them of the death of their eldest son, Corporal Arnold Dickens of the same Battalion, which occurred on the night of June 26th when the deceased at his post of duty, was struck by a shell, death being instantaneous.

"Corporal Dickens, who was 24 years of age, previous to enlisting two years ago was a member of the Glamorgan Constabulary, stationed at Oyster-mouth, near Swansea. Mr and Mrs Dickens have had two sons-in-law discharged from the Army, one having been disabled at Mons, and the other physically unfit."

Private Charles Osborne of the 123rd Field Company, Royal Engineers was killed in action on June 28. Aged 46, he is buried in Bard Cottage Cemetery, Belgium.

The Barry Dock News reported: "SOUTH AFRICAN VETERAN KILLED IN FRANCE. Lieut WA Evans, the officer commanding No. 3 Section, 123rd Field Company, RE, France, writes to inform Mr Sidney Osborne, 46 Kingsland Crescent, Barry Docks that his brother Sapper Charles Osborne has been killed in action in France, by a shell.

"He was without doubt one of the best and most reliable sappers in the company," Lieut Evans states, and was a favourite with the men. He refused to take non-commissioned rank, and did excellent work at Mametz Wood during raids, and other dangerous work in our present area.

"The NCOs and men of the section wish to extend their deepest sympathy to you."

Sapper Osborne served throughout the South African War with the Grenadier Guards. He was 46 years of age and re-joined the Army when war broke out.

'They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old;

'Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn. At the going down of the sun and in the morning We will remember them.'

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Cadoxton Bowls Club round-up

CADOXTON continued their Munro Cup programme with a visit from Penarth.

They were successful on two rinks and tied a third, but a heavy defeat on the fourth ensured an overall win for the visitors.

Derek Jeffries skipped his rink to a 7-0 start before three losing ends reduced the advantage to just one.

Five shots during the following two ends reopened the gap. The reply was three singles.

Supremacy was shown for the hosts with four winning ends including a four to finish.

Jim Davies won 12 of the ends, but mainly singles, whilst the opposition, although having success on only six ends, had three threes and three twos to tie the final score.

Howard Craven had a slow start on his rink, trailing 2-9 after eight ends. However they

settled and finished with a two-shot win.

Kelvin Chedgzy's rink was not allowed into the game with an on-form David Dalby restricting them to just one shot in 15 ends.

Scores: D Tuck, S Clarke, G Davies, J Davies 15-15 P Davies, D Shirley, B Lewis, C Fry; D Hammond, J Papoutsou, I Robertson, D Jeffries 23-11 R Daniel, M England, D Musk, B Hill; A Prince, G Solomon, R Byrne, K Chedgzy 5-28 J Beanland, B Willmott, D Plank, D Darby; W Craven, M Curtis, P Ellis, H Craven 14-12 M Conway, L Brooke, A Stockham D Clements.

Final score: 57-66.

CADOXTON v RUMNEY (FRIENDLY)

There was no league fixture scheduled, this week, so a friendly match was fixed at Rumney.

Cadoxton arrived with a player short, but the space was filled by one

of the home team's reserves.

The outcome was a win on all rinks.

The top rink was skipped by Don Kuhnell, with Ivor Robertson's performance assisting in restricting the opposition to just five winning ends. Roy Harding's rink trailed at tea, but performed superbly after the break to turn the result around for a comfortable win.

The rink skipped by Jim Davies held a narrow tea advantage, but only one single was conceded afterwards until a five against on the penultimate end spoiled the run, but not the final outcome.

Gordon Davies had a close game with the scores level after nine ends at 7-7.

They were tied again at 12-12 but with four ends left a one-shot advantage was held.

Three of these ends brought success and the fourth victory of the game.

Scores: J Papoutsou, Guest, I Robertson, D Kuhnell 25-8; G Solomon, D Hammond, P Ellis, R Harding 21-12; E Heppenstall, A Prince, D Brook, J Davies 23-12; R Byrne, S Clarke, I Heppenstall, G Davies 21-17. **Final score:** 90-49.

DK

Confident Barry Wanderers get back in the groove with maximum points win

A few weeks ago, Barry Wanderers were really looking in trouble, but after last week and the shock win against Sully, confidence was high as Monkswood were welcomed to Hayes Point in the glorious sunshine.

The Wanderers were invited to bat and at 97 for 6 were in a spot of bother until Peter Coleman, with first Rhodri Jones and then Reno Defeo, took the total to 210 for 8.

Coleman was caught on the boundary from the last ball to finish just shy of 50.

In reply it was Jones again, who fresh from his four wickets last week, stepped up with three this week and was well supported by the other bowlers.

This meant that despite a dogged 38 from Rod Jones and a swashbuckling 44 from Hadyn Simons, Monkswood fell 52 short.

Wanderers gained the maximum 20 points from this victory and now find themselves third from bottom in eighth but only five points behind the team in fifth and two behind Dinas Powys, who the Wanderers visit on Saturday. Every game certainly counts.

Sadly, the seconds have yet to win this season with availability being a huge thorn in their side, but they did themselves proud up at Monkswood and despite 33 from Sam Brooks they find themselves rooted to the foot of the table.

On Sunday, a fantastic day was had by all as Pentrych visited for a Sunday friendly which was exactly what it was, with a mixture of youth and the more mature on show.

In the end, the class of Brett Hole and the like was too much for the Wanderers but Ian Ford with 23 not out was a highlight, as was the 76 from Kunal Mhadgut who was originally not going to play as he wanted to see his beloved India

play Pakistan!

Also, a mention to young Mark Williams with three wickets on the day. Pentrych are a fantastic Sunday team to play and we hope we were great hosts.

Finally, this Sunday, June 25, is a special day at Hayes Point as old players and current will come together in a president XI against the chairman's XI to celebrate the club having a new president in Gerry Richards.

It has been a few years since we have had a president, as the post had not been filled since the sad loss of club founder Mike Ashton in 2013.

The club felt the time was right and Gerry was happy to accept.

There is hardly a club in south Wales and even further afield who do not know Gerry, and we are proud to have him.

All are welcome to pop over to Hayes Point at 2pm for what should be a fantastic day of cricket and memories.

AF

Scotcher joins Barry Town United

WELSH Premier League-bound Barry Town United have confirmed another signing, as their pre-season preparations begin to take shape.

Joining new recruits Kayne McLaggan and Sam Jones at Jenner Park will be highly-rated midfielder Elliot Scotcher from Pembrokeshire – a

former Wales under-16 and under-17 international who comes to Barry from fellow Welsh Premier League outfit Aberystwyth Town.

Arriving at Portman Road during Roy Keane's stint as manager, Scotcher was a scholar at Championship club Ipswich Town, before returning to south Wales, enrolling at

Cardiff Met University and becoming an important part of their own climb of the Welsh pyramid.

After graduating, Elliot then signed for Merthyr Town of the Evo-Stik League, before switching to Aberystwyth in January.

A former Cardiff City youngster, 23-year old Elliot commented: "I'm delighted to have

joined such a progressive club at an important moment in its history.

"After speaking with Gavin Chesterfield and hearing his plans it was a straightforward decision for me to join.

"I've played with or against a number of the lads in the squad previously and I'm looking forward to seeing what we can achieve together this season."

"Throughout our discussions, Elliot has shown a real desire to be part of our club and what we are about", added Barry manager Chesterfield.

"He is a player who fits our philosophy and style very well and will add further creativity and quality to our midfield."

"I'm looking forward to working with Elliot and helping him fulfill his undoubted potential."

With 17 players now signed, Chesterfield has put together a pre-season programme that stays largely close to home, as his squad gets set to rack up the miles across the coming season.

Barry's opening friendly will be at Jenner Park on Saturday, July 15, as

the Welsh League Division One champions host last season's rivals Goytre.

A tough first test for the WPL newcomers, Goytre were the only team to complete a league double over Barry in their 2016-17 championship campaign.

The Town then travel to runners-up Penybont on Tuesday, July 18, before heading to play Goytre United at Glanhafod Park on Saturday, July 22.

After welcoming Newport County to Jenner Park on Tuesday, July 25, a further friendly yet to be confirmed is pencilled in for the next weekend.

The club then wraps up its preparations at Ely Rangers on Saturday, August 5, with the Welsh Premier League campaign kicking off the following week.

Tickets for Barry's friendly with League 2 Newport are on sale at barry.ticketsource.co.uk with the Exiles expected to bring a full strength line-up to Jenner Park next month.

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GORCHYMYN CYNGOR BRO MORGANNWG

(GWAHARDD A CHYFYNGU AR FANNAU AROS A LLWYTHO A PHARCIO) (GORFODI SIFIL) (DIWYGIAD) (RHIF 6) 2017

1. Ar 19 Mehefin 2017 gwnaeth Cyngor Bro Morgannwg, wrth arfer ei bwerau dan Adranau 1, 2, 3, 4, 32, 35, 45, 46, 53 a 124 a Rhan IV Atodlen 9 Deddf Rheoleiddio Traffig 1984 a Rhan 6 Deddf Rheoli Traffig 2004 a'r holl bwerau galluogi eraill, Orchymyn a fydd yn gwneud yr hyn a ddisgrifir isod:

2. Bydd y Gorchymyn yn dod i rym ar 26 Mehefin 2017 neu ar y dyddiad y gosodir yr arwyddion a'r marciau ffordd, pa un bynnag sydd hwyraf, ac enw'r Gorchymyn fydd "Gorchymyn Cyngor Bro Morgannwg (Gwahardd a Chyfyngu ar Fannau Aros a Lliwytho a Pharcio) (Gorfodi Sifil) (Diwygiad) (Rhif 6) 2017"

3. Gellir gweld copi o'r Gorchymyn a'r cynlluniau'n dangos yr ardaloedd yr effeithir amyn yn y cyfeiriad isod yn ystod oriau swyddfa arferol.

4. Os ydych am gwestiynau dilysrwydd y Gorchymyn neu'r darpariaethau ynddo ar y sail nad ydynt yn unol â'r pwerau a ddfarnwyd gan y Ddeddf uchod neu ar y sail nas cydymffurfirwyd ag unrhyw un o ofynion y Ddeddf, neu unrhyw offeryn a wnaed dan y Ddeddf mewn perthynas â'r Gorchymyn, gallwch, o fewn chwe wythnos o 26 Mehefin 2017, wneud cais i'r Uchel Lys at y diben hwn.

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Cynnig Gwahardd Aros ar Unrhyw Adeg

Belmont Street, y Barri – Map AU52

Ar ochr y gogledd-ddwyrain o'r gyffordd â Newbourne Place tua'r gogledd-ddwyrain am 10 metr.

Ar ochr y gogledd-ddwyrain o'r gyffordd â Newbourne Place tua'r de-ddwyrain am 10 metr.

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Woodlands Road, y Barri – Map AU52

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Dyddiedig 22 Mehefin 2017

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Cyngor Bro Morgannwg, The Alps,
Gwenfô CF5 6AA



THE VALE OF GLAMORGAN COUNCIL

(PROHIBITION AND RESTRICTION OF WAITING AND LOADING AND PARKING PLACES) (CIVIL ENFORCEMENT) (AMENDMENT) (NO 6) ORDER 2017

1. On the 19th June 2017 The Vale of Glamorgan Council in exercise of its powers under Sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 32, 35, 45, 46, 53 and 124 and Part IV of Schedule 9 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 and Part 6 of the Traffic Management Act 2004 and all other enabling powers made an Order the general effect of which is as described below:

2. The Order will come into operation on 26th June 2017 or on the dates that the signs and road markings are in place whichever is the later and be known as the "Vale of Glamorgan Council (Prohibition and Restriction of Waiting and Loading and Parking Places) (Civil Enforcement) (Amendment) (No 6) Order 2017"

3. A copy of the Order and plans showing the affected areas may be seen at the address shown below during normal office hours.

4. If you wish to question the validity of the Order or any provisions contained therein on the grounds that they are not within the powers conferred by the above Act or on the grounds that any requirement of the same or that any instrument made under it has not been complied with in relation to the Order, you may within six weeks from the 26th June 2017 apply to the High Court for this purpose.

The following Traffic Regulation Order is to be amended as follows:

Vale of Glamorgan Council (Prohibition and Restriction of Waiting and Loading and Parking Places) (Civil Enforcement) Order 2013

SCHEDULE

Proposed Prohibition of Waiting at Any Time

Belmont Street, Barry – Map AU52

On the north east side from its junction with Newbourne Place in a north westerly direction for 10 metres.

On the north east side from its junction with Newbourne Place in a south easterly direction for 10 metres.

Existing Prohibition of Waiting at Any Time to become Limited Waiting Monday to Saturday 8am until 6pm 2 hours no return within 2 hours except resident permit holders.

Woodlands Road, Barry – Map AU52

On the north west side from a point approximately 7.2 metres north east of the junction of Belmont Street in a north easterly direction for approximately 38 metres.

Dated this 22nd day of June 2017

M. E. Punter
Director of Environment & Housing
Vale of Glamorgan Council, The Alps,
Wenvoe CF5 6AA



Rugby club are looking for players

LLANTWIT MAJOR RFC are currently recruiting for players new and old to join them next season.

With two senior sides, a youth team and 10 junior sides, the club has rugby for all ages and ability.

The seniors train on a Tuesday and Thursday evening with pre-season training just round the corner, starting on July 4.

More information and contacts for all age group rugby can be found on the website: llantwitmajorrfc.wales or call the clubhouse on 01446 792276.

You could also call in and watch the Lions test match live at the club on Saturday.

The club will be open from 8am with a fully licensed bar and breakfast butties at half time – members and non-members warmly welcome.

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Bridgend Bridge Club results



The Rugby Academy award winners with Dan Fish, Gethin Jenkins, college principal Kay Martin and director of rugby Martyn Fowler.

CAVC Academy rewards success

CARDIFF and Vale College's Rugby Academy has celebrated another season of success at its second presentation.

It has been a year of firsts for CAVC's Rugby Academy – spending its first year in Tier 1 of the Welsh Colleges league programme and beating the formidable Coleg y Cymoedd team for the first time.

It is the first year that the Academy contributed 10 players to the Cardiff Blues Regional U18s squad and the first time

the team has had four international players.

The Academy entered the WRU Urd Sevens for the first time and won it.

It was also the first year that the team entered the world's biggest schools' rugby contest, the Rosslyn Park Sevens, and came fourth out of 750 teams.

The Academy's coaches and business sponsors – Bae Coffi, Circle IT, Principality and Simply Fresh – attended the awards presentation at the College's City Centre campus.

CAVC's Rugby Academy works in partnership with Cardiff Blues, giving its players the opportunity to play home games at BT Cardiff Arms Park.

Cardiff Blues Gethin Jenkins and Richard Holland were joined by WRU Head of High Performance Geraint John as guests.

Mr Jenkins said: It's a great occasion, and I am enjoying the awards that celebrate the boys' season."

Gethin said: "This is an excellent venue and it's an amazing college."

The coveted title of Player of the Year was awarded to Joe Miles, who was worked hard and reaped the rewards, gaining an under-18 cap for Wales versus England at Ebbw Vale.

Dafydd Smith was given the award for Players' Player of the Year after outstanding performances at Roslyn Park and WRU Urd under-18s, earning his Welsh shirt in Paris in 2016.

Marley Lovell won the Coaches' Award, while Dylan Lawley was named Most Improved Player and Tony Lamerton won Most Promising Player. Ben Thomas, Joe Miles, Dafydd Smith and Odin Pronk were given framed jerseys to recognise the international honours they have gained this year.

Ben Thomas also won the Captain's Award. Mr Thomas, outside half and captain, gained his first cap last year, toured South Africa and put in an impressive performance against France and England at Ebbw Vale.

The college's director of rugby, Martyn Fowler, added: "One question I'm often asked about the Academy is 'How do you measure success?' While the trophies are nice to hold, they will no doubt lose their lustre.

"What stays with us and everyone involved with CAVC is the knowledge that we have made a positive contribution to the lives of our young men when delivering on the Academy mission statement: developing better people and better players."

I would love for everyone to see her hard work and say a massive thank you to Amy for all of her hard work gone into making this perfect superstar pair.

Thank you,
**Hannah Lewis,
The Vale**

Show-jumping success for young Brooke!



BROOKE LEWIS is 10 years old and she is in Peterston super Ely primary school.

Brooke does a lot of horse riding with her superstar pony, Mr Monty.

Brooke is taught by Amy Jane Thomson at ANT Equestrian, and what an amazing teacher she is.

Brooke has been taught by Amy, and riding Mr Monty for two years and in this time she has gone from never competing to competing at British Show Jumping Association (BSJA) level.

She has had a lot of ups and downs with Mr Monty, but she hasn't

given up and now they are just getting stronger and stronger.

They have competed in three BSJA competitions and they have won all three of their British novice classes entered; this is an amazing achievement for the pair of them and I couldn't be more proud.

Their last show on June 10 they won both classes and had equal first in their qualifying class: she was over the moon.

I would love for everyone to see her hard work and say a massive thank you to Amy for all of her hard work gone into making this perfect superstar pair.

Thank you,
**Hannah Lewis,
The Vale**

BRIDGEND became Welsh Bridge Champions on Sunday, June 18, at Crossgates when they won the final of the National Teams of Eight Championship.

It is the first time that Bridgend has won this event, and they did so narrowly ahead of perennial winners Cardiff.

To qualify, Bridgend first won the western area regional championship, and then competed for the trophy against seven other teams from around the country.

It is an outstanding achievement by captain Tony Disley and his team.

Pictured above are Mike Best, Tony Disley, Simon Richards, Steve Burgoyne, Julian Pottage, John Evans, Neville Richards (president of the Welsh Bridge Union) Tony Haworth and Kevin Maddox.

The results for recent events at Bridgend Bridge Club are:

Wednesday, June 14: First, Linda Pinnock and Bill Turner; Second, Liam Sheridan and John Beard; Third, Irene Wickham and Glyn Williams. The winners on handicap were Linda Pinnock and Bill Turner.

Thursday, June 15: First, Stuart Davies and John Henson; Equal

second, Steve Burgoyne and John Evans & Maggie and Richard Ashpole. The winners on handicap were Maggie and Richard Ashpole.

Friday, June 16: First, Steve Burgoyne and Marjorie Morris; second, Gareth Jenkins and Bill Turner; third, Jenny Vaughan and Irene Thomas. The winners on handicap were Gareth Jenkins and Bill Turner.

Regular club nights take place on Wednesdays and Fridays at Norton Church Hall. Play is scheduled to start at 7pm – to enable a prompt start it helps if players arrive at least 10 minutes early.

On Thursday afternoons at 2pm, again at Norton Church Hall, there is a gentle bridge session when help is available with the bidding.

All sessions are played in a friendly manner, visitors and new members are always welcome.

There will be a new series of lessons for beginners on Wednesdays from 4pm until 6pm, starting in September again in Norton Church Hall.

For further information about the lessons, and any other club activities, please contact Steve Burgoyne on 01656 661968, John Evans on 01656 880372 or David Newman on 01656 649138.

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Porthcawl RFC under-13s finish off season with trip and awards!



TO celebrate the end of a fantastic season, Porthcawl RFC under-13s travelled to Exeter to watch the Chiefs play Northampton Saints.

The boys and dads enjoyed spending time together watching the game and getting competitive at the bowling alley!

The highlight of the tour was our game against Topsham under-13s. To say the boys' performance made the coaches proud is an understatement.

Adapting swiftly to the English rules they played three 20-minute games. An hour of fantastic effort and hard work culminated in a score of 45-5 to Porthcawl against a team who had been defeated only once all season.

The presentation evening stepped up a gear this year; with the boys approaching junior age it was up to the

coaches to select individual trophies for player of the season and most improved player.

Those who know us will recognise this was a very difficult decision, but, nevertheless, Ollie Sadd and Bud Morgan Pellett thoroughly deserved the recognition, as did Ollie Tottman who was awarded the player's player award.

Nathan Bennett would like to thank the boys, the club and all the families for such dedication this year as well as Anthony for supporting with the coaching and John our medic.

He would also like to thank Kevin for holding quizzes at the Ancient Briton and donating the money to buy hoodies and polo tops for the boys.

We are looking forward to going from strength to strength next season, have a safe summer boys!

NB

The Rest Bridge Club are up with the times!

THE Rest Bridge Club was established over 10 years ago, as an offshoot from the U3A teaching classes in the Rest Home, in the days when it was a vibrant focal point for many local activities.

The club is now one of the most popular in south Wales, boasting more than a 10-table attendance, every Tuesday afternoon.

With the increasing attendance, the manual chore of scoring, and results compilation, necessitated the club committee assessing alternative methods.

The club decided on using the most modern technology currently available. This is based on each table having an Android device (in our case modified 'Kindles' – but smartphones would be perfectly acceptable).

These are wi-fi linked to a computer, running a scoring program. The Kindles (when adapted they are branded as 'Bridgetabs') are equipped with a licensed piece of software,

which provides the players with a highly user-friendly colour interface into which results are entered as hands are played.

The system has been well received both by players and the club administrators. Session results are available within seconds of the last hand being played.

In order to fund the scheme, the club applied to 'Awards For All Wales' which enables community groups to acquire National Lottery funding for appropriate projects.

The application process was straightforward (online application taking a couple of hours), and the AAW response was excellent, with only the minimum of associated red-tape. The grant approval took about two weeks. The club committee extend their thanks.

The club would also like to thank the national 'Bridgetab' agent (Keith Butler) for the system supply, and the scoring software supplier (Jeff Smith) for the assistance given.

TH

Osian's two sports awards!

OSIAN Leeke of Cowbridge was recently awarded the 'under-8s clubman of the year' trophy in both football and rugby!

Osian is a pupil at Ysgol Gynradd Iolo Morganwg and is proud to represent Cowbridge Town AFC and Cowbridge RFC.

Thank you to the coaches for their dedication and enthusiasm throughout the season.

SL



Osian Leeke.

Munro Cup win for Llantwit Major mens bowlers

FOR their Wednesday Munro Cup fixture, Llantwit Major men's bowlers travelled to Barry Central, winning on three rinks in a 83-47 win.

Charles Hiscock's rink were always in command, being 10 shots up after only six ends. Llantwit then relaxed a bit, allowing Central to come back at them before Llantwit went away again to win by 11.

Eric Sparkes' rink were eight shots up at the halfway stage of the match. Llantwit kept a tight control of the match to win by 10 shots.

Arthur Hayes' rink started badly, winning only one of the first nine ends to be 13 shots behind. They improved after that, taking the next five ends to be only one shot behind, but Central pulled away after this, taking the final ends to win the match.

Neville Young's rink were never in trouble, being 13 shots up after the sixth end. Llantwit continued to score heavily, winning the match comfortably.

Llantwit played their second league fixture on Saturday with a visit to Sully, who were expected to give Llantwit a hard game.

Llantwit put in an impressive performance, winning on three rinks and gaining 12 points in a 85-78 win.

Graham Jones' rink led from the start and by the 11th end were six shots ahead, picking three lots of three on the way, with Llantwit's skip playing some great bowls to ensure some winning ends.

A couple of fours towards the end gave Llantwit a 12-shot win.

Adrian Woods' rink, after losing the first end, took the lead with Glyn Fos giving them a great start.

Sully regained the lead on the eighth end with a four but Llantwit then matched them, winning six of the final eight ends to win by four shots.

Charles Hiscock's rink had a stiff battle. With both sides alternating the lead, the game was in the balance with scores level on the penultimate end, Llantwit scoring two shots on the final end to win.

Steve Booker's rink were up against it from the start, with the Sully skip putting in some crucial shots helping Sully to be seven shots up after four ends.

Llantwit were never in contention winning only eight ends in the whole match.

Llantwit are still looking for new members - if you would like to give it a try you would be most welcome as there is free coaching every Tuesday evening.

NY



Ladies captain's day at Brynhill Golf Club



ON Tuesday, June 13, the sun came out and the wind vanished for a well-supported ladies captain's day at Brynhill Golf Club.

Later that evening, ladies captain Olwyn Thomas welcomed all participants with a glass of something and nibbles for her prize presentation.

Beautiful bracelets were presented by Olwyn to the winners, who were: Silver division - Clare Downton with 37 points; Bronze division - Lisa Taylor with 38 points.

Olwyn thanked everyone who had supported her day and made it such a special success.

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Barrivale Bridge Club results

BARRIVALE Bridge Club results for June 13:

1. Debbie Dawkins & Alan Jones 67.92%, 2. Irene Thomas & Mick Green 58.33, 3. Simon & Debbie Richards 55.83.

The handicap first place winners were Debbie Dawkins and Alan Jones.

As always, new members are welcome at Barrivale bridge club and a partner may be arranged, if required.

LH

Coaching sessions at local tennis club

A new initiative to encourage more people to play tennis is being offered by Barry Athletic Tennis Club, with special group coaching sessions for adult on Wednesday evenings and junior classes on Wednesdays and Sunday mornings throughout the summer.

The club has received a special grant from the Lawn Tennis Association to offer low-cost coaching to encourage beginners and all grades of players at the Barry Island-based club, which is regarded as providing the best tennis courts in Barry.

The club is opening its doors to non-members with adult classes will run between 6-7pm every Wednesday until August 16 and junior classes running Wednesdays 5-6pm and Sunday mornings 10am, mini red for five-seven year olds, 10.45am mini orange-green for eight-10 year olds, and 11.30am for junior coaching for ages 11-14 year-olds.

For more details check out the club's website at <https://clubspark.lta.org.uk/BarryTennis> or contact Robert Wedlake on 07903524456 or email barry@tennissquad.net.

Members at Barry Athletic Tennis Club can enjoy year-round tennis with our four high quality all weather

courts, including one floodlit court.

The club offers the best choice for anyone in the area wanting to enjoy their tennis, including beginners' tennis, juniors, coaching for juniors and seniors, social tennis, and social activities for our members.

As a member of the LTA, the club's members can enter a draw for Wimbledon tickets at cost price. While there is no guarantee of a ticket, in previous years most members wanting tickets have been successful. The tickets are strictly for personal use only.

Barry Athletic Tennis Club is run by volunteers with any profits re-invested back into the club's activities and facilities

The club has a partnership with Tennis Squad Coaching Academy. Its team of tennis coaches delivers award-winning services across south Wales, working with anyone with an interest or passion in tennis offering a fun, safe and educational tennis experience.

With its own pavilion with lounge, kitchen, changing rooms, toilets, and showers, it offers good viewing facilities of activities on courts. Members also have free use of tennis balls.

There is ample free car parking at all times and members can use the facilities of the bar in the nearby bowls pavilion.

AG

On and Off The Turf

ONE person farmer John Llewellyn who rode saddened by the news that former racehorse trainer Bert Lavis, of Simpson Cross, Haverfordwest, has died at the age of 87 is Cowbridge

and he always seemed pleased to see me and have a chat about our past times on the racecourse.

He leaves behind a widow, Mair, his son Graham and daughters Vanessa and Heather.

His funeral took place at Parc Gwyn Crematorium, Narberth, yesterday (Wednesday, June 21).

TIM'S CHEPSTOW WINNER

Aberthyn's Tim Vaughan won the closing two miles handicap race at Chepstow Racecourse last Friday evening with his eight-year-old Dovils Date, who, ridden by KT O'Neill, won by three parts of a length from the favourite Nachi Falls.

A winner of its previous race, *Dovils Date* was well backed at 3-1.

Welsh-born Roger Charlton took the opening two-year-olds six furlong sprint with *Klostres*.

At Aintree Sean Bowen, riding his father Peter Bowen's *Land Of Vic*, won the Thoroughbred Breeders' Association Mare's Handicap Hurdle with *Land Of Vic*, who, at nine-years-old, was the oldest mare in the race.

BRIAN LEE

Can you be the Champion of Champs in darts?

THE search is on for the 2017 Worthington's Champion of Champions with pubs and clubs across the country signing up to hold heats to find local champions for the £20,000 grand final to be played at St David's Hall, Cardiff on Saturday, August 26.

Sponsored by Molson Coors and Red Dragon Darts, the tournament mirrors the best of three legs 501 format of the iconic News of the World competition with heat winners automatically qualifying for the 256 player grand final.

To take part, players must first register at www.reddragonarts.com/info/player-registration and can play in as many qualifiers as they like.

The tournament is open to men and women of all abilities, as well as children over the age of 14 with the permission of landlords.

"The Worthington's Champion of Champions is the people's darts tournament," says Simon Hall, head of marketing

at Red Dragon Darts. "Pubs and clubs are at the heart of the sport and as we have seen in previous years, they produce some fantastic darting talent."

"The event gets better and better and this year's will be an incredible experience for everyone taking part."

Last year's winner was Jonny Clayton, a plasterer from Pembrokeshire. In addition to the trophy and title of Worthington's Champion of Champions 2016, he picked up a cheque for £5,000.

"It's a marvellous event," he says. "The organisation is second to none and pits some of the best-known names in the game alongside pub champions."

"The tournament has a great, big-stage feel to it and I'm sure the 2017 event will be even bigger and better."

The full list of all 256 venues is available at: <https://www.reddragonarts.com/info/champion-of-champions-venues/>.

More details on the Worthington's Champion of Champions 2017 tournament, is available at: <https://www.reddragonarts.com/events/worthingtonsofchampions.html>.

The A-Team bowlers start their season

LLANTWIT MAJOR A bowlers hosted Ystrad Mynach A in their first Cardiff and District Municipal League Division 7 match last Saturday.

The weather was glorious and due to the heat, the captains agreed to curtail the game to 18 ends.

Llantwit won on three rinks the overall score being 71-56 in Llantwit's favour.

Ian Williamson, Ken

Williams, John Ball and John O'Brien took an early lead and scored well on the fifth and sixth ends eventually winning by 21 shots to 12.

Cen Williams, Mike Eversleigh, Dave Post and Mike Adams took three ends to get going but went on to win 19-13; special mention for Mike Eversleigh who is a new member and has impressed in his first few games.

Dave Thomas, Roy

French, Geoff Timms and Paul Brown had a very good tussle with their opposition leading 13-1 on the eighth end but then conceded shots to see the score narrow to 17-15 at the 17th end.

They scored three on the last end to win by 20-15. Special thanks to Roy French who was a late replacement and turned up at 20 minutes notice and made a good contribution to the rink's success.

Richard Bayliss, John Moisan, Mike Jones and Mike Harmon played a tight game but went down 16-11, having given away five shots on the 15th end.

Overall a very pleasing start to our league fixtures - we thoroughly enjoyed the opposition's company and look forward to the return fixture later on in the season.

The ladies again did the club proud with their excellent post match buffet and also staffed the bar, thank you!

PB

Isabel's top novice award

ISABEL WILLIAMS, aged 19, daughter of Evan and Cath Williams of Llancarfan, has won the South Wales and Monmouthshire Area award which goes to the top female novice rider during the season just ended.

She will be presented with her trophy at the South Wales and Monmouthshire Dinner/Dance and Awards Evening at the Holiday Hotel, Newport, on July 1.

Cowbridge's Byron Moorcroft, aged 36, has won the Bill Jones Memorial Trophy and Bridgend builder Roger Willcox has won the Champion Pentryrch with his six-year-old brown gelding *January Don*.

The following awards will be presented during the evening:

Welsh Champion - Men (DR Thomas Perpetual Trophy) South Wales and Monmouthshire - James

Bowen; Welsh Champion - Ladies (B Thomas Perpetual Trophy) South Wales and Monmouthshire - Jodie Hughes; Bill Jones Memorial Trophy South Wales and Monmouthshire - Byron Moorcroft; South and West Wales Novice Rider - James Bowen; South Wales and Monmouthshire Area Novice Rider - Isabel Williams; Champion Trophy (Spillers Perpetual Trophy, most wins in south Wales and west Wales) - Michael Bowen's Sir Du Bearn; Champion Mare (Elfin David Memorial Trophy) Keith Pritchard's Watch The Birdie; Maiden Horse (George Williams Memorial Trophy) John Rees's Ruperra Tom; Champion Older Horse (Lord Charles Trophy) Mike Bassett & Keiron Price's Really Unique; Champion Llangeinor/Pentryrch Qualified Horse - Roger Willcox's January Don.

BRIAN LEE

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Crumlin beat Sully Centurions in top of the table encounter

SULLY CENTURIONS took on second-placed Crumlin at Burnham Avenue and, with only five points separating the teams, this was definitely a crunch match.

The visitors batted first and, after the early loss of skipper Hopkins, took a liking to the conditions and also to the Sully attack, with the ball being dispatched to the boundary with regularity.

An unbeaten century from Veal and 98 from Jolliffe were the backbone of the Crumlin innings, which finished on 291 for 5.

However, it could have been different, as both high scoring batsmen were dropped early in their innings. For Centurions, there were two wickets each for Nathan Cuddihy and skipper Jake Griffith.

In reply, Centurions had Rhett Jones (87) and David Goodway (52) to thank for putting some runs on the board.

But, in spite of only losing seven wickets, the target was well out of reach, with Crumlin restricting the home side to 199 for 7 off the 45 overs.

This means that Crumlin have leapfrogged Centurions at the top of the table. Both sides are now eagerly looking forward to the second half of the season and in particular, the return match at Crumlin.

Sully Centurions 199-7, Crumlin 291-5.

The second XI travelled to Crumlin for the reverse fixture and in spite of

a great fifth wicket stand between Russell Thomas and Nick Jones, lost by four wickets.

Centurions batted first and were soon in trouble as early wickets began to tumble – leaving them in the precarious position of being 27 for 4 and facing an early finish.

However Thomas and Jones had other ideas, sharing a stand of 150 to put Centurions right back in the game.

The final total of 191 for 9 was a testament to their fine partnership. The wickets were shared between the Crumlin bowlers, with best figures coming from Haines (2 for 6) and Randall (2 for 13).

After tea, the Crumlin batsmen didn't have it all their own way, with Sully chipping away at the early order.

With the score at 60 for 4 the game was evenly poised, but the middle order rose to the challenge, with a fine 81 not out from Williams being the pick of the batting.

The target was reached in the 33rd over. For Centurions the wickets were shared between Gethin Hicks, who had 3 for 30, and Peter Thomas (3 for 58).

Crumlin II 192-6, Sully Centurions II 191-9.

On Saturday Centurions travel to Monkswood, with the second XI taking on Monkswood second XI at Burnham Avenue.

All players are asked to contact Jake Griffith or Dave Sylvester with their availability.

MF

Mixed weekend for Vale Cricket Club

VALE Cricket Club's first XI narrowed the gap in their promotion push with a good, solid performance, gaining maximum points against Dinas Powys in a 42-run victory at Corntown last Saturday.

Asked to bat, Vale's inning of 236-7 was built on the excellent JJ Davies, who carried his bat for an unbeaten 101. JJ was supported in a number of solid partnerships, the highlight being one of 71 with Matthew Thomas who contributed an entertaining 45.

Twenties from Alex Davidson and Matthew Williams ensured a maximum-point total.

After tea (supplied by Vale Catering), Dinas Powys started well, accumulating 82 for the first wicket, with the dangerous Gordon Hannah well-set when Williams dismissed opening partner Choudray for 12.

It was the introduction of the three spinners skipper JP Davies has at his disposal that frustrated the visitors. Williams (3-

13 off 9 overs – he has yet to concede a boundary this season). JJ Davies (4-30) and Jimbo Thomas controlled the middle of the innings allowing James Snelson to weigh in with 2-44 to finish off the innings.

Hannah contributed 88 to the final 194 all out and will feel he could have had more support from his colleagues.

Still in third place, they have narrowed the gap to Sully who lost to league leaders Crumlin. This week Vale CC firsts travel to Monmouth and will hope to build on their momentum.

Visiting Ebbw Vale's Eugene Cross Park is a highlight for a club cricketer, and Vale second XI turned up there last Saturday and took part in a high-scoring game.

Unfortunately, they came out on the wrong side of the result: however, they remain top of their division by a slim margin.

Surprisingly asked to bat first, the visitors assembled a highly competitive 268-2. The foundation for this was an opening partnership of 155 from Gareth Andrews, classically strong and punishing through the on-side, and

Mark Francis, elegant all around the wicket.

Andrews fell unfortunately run out for 74, while Francis went on to 126 not out alongside Sean Rowland (29). Francis is in a great run of form, though both this season's centuries have been in a losing cause.

After the legendary tea provided by Ebbw Vale, the home side set off with huge big hitting intent.

Once the bowlers had sorted out their lines, decent efforts from Idris and Gethin Merry and, at least initially, Rowland, dragged the game back towards the visitors.

Gareth Kelland then dismissed the agricultural Boulter for 32 and Tom Lazarus followed this up with a great spell, taking three wickets useful mid-innings wickets.

However the arrival of Gavin, who thundered to a rapid 68, alongside opener Shane Jones, who ended on a classy 131 not out, put the game beyond Vale, passing the target with nine balls to spare and with six wickets remaining.

The seconds host Monmouth on Saturday and will be happy to see guests at the Corntown ground, with bar facilities available all day.

CB

COWBRIDGE BOWLS CLUB ROUND-UP

It was another good week for the ladies.

In a Monday Evening League game at home to Llantrisant (2), although losing on one of the two rinks, it was a good overall win.

Rink scores: Carol Davies, Jean Hunt, Phyllis Price and Shirley Wilkinson 30-7; Tina Payne, Shirley Dunsforth, Dorothy Pritchard and Sylvia Hole 14-18. Match score: Cowbridge 44, Llantrisant (2) 25.

The following day, again at home, in a Cowbridge Shield Match, the visitors were from the Kenfig and Pyle Club. It was a good, all-round performance with wins on all three rinks.

Rink scores: Sandra Collin, Caryl Davies, Diane Lloyd and May Jones 17-10; Tina Payne, Corrie Bufton, Kay Edwards and Joy Woolford 23-16; Lynda Wilson, Pat Davey, Phyllis Price and Helena Snelling 23-16. Match score: Cowbridge 63, Kenfig Hill and Pyle 42.

Now in the groove, success followed the next day in an Evening game, also at home to Barry Romilly, with wins on both rinks.

Rink scores: Lynda Wilson, Jean Hunt, Sylvia Hole and Shirley Wilkinson 25-9; Dorothy Pritchard, Phyllis Price, Sandra Collin and Kay Edwards 21-13. Match score: Cowbridge 46, Romilly 22.

The men had two matches last week.

The first was an Evening Triples League game away to Pencoed. Cowbridge were second on all four rinks, which meant no points.

The pressure was on to

MB

Barry tennis ladies on the verge of glory!

It was another busy weekend at Barry Community Tennis Club, and after a week of disruption due to high winds and heavy rain, it was great to have lots of action on the courts again.

The new Tots tennis session was well received at 9.15am on Saturday, and followed by the usual busy juniors, minis and adult beginners sessions, before the 9u team hosted Cowbridge LTC for an Aegon Team Tennis fixture.

This was a nailbiting fixture, which saw five of the 10 rubbers going to a deciding third set, but despite battling hard, the home team lost 4-6 overall.

On Sunday, the youngest of the teams, the under-8s, hosted

win and gain points at home last Saturday, against Llantrisant A, and to get a foothold in the league.

Playing on a very hot day Cowbridge won on three of the four rinks and in so doing gained 12 valuable points.

Rink scores: Gerry Lloyd, Bryan Hole, Peter Launder and Bob Penn 24-13; Tom Purnell, Ron Dobie, Rob Lewis and Clive Pritchard 14-18; Mansel Davey, Tony Lewis, Bryan Williams and Roger Barwick 19-17; Dennis Snelling, John Collin, Colin Wilson and Norman Wilkinson 34-16 (this win for Noman and his quartet included a hot shot). Match score: Cowbridge 91, Llantrisant A 64.

On Friday evening social bowlers were able to watch the conclusion of a fine singles match between Roger Barwick from Cowbridge and Richard Bowden from Barry Athletic.

The first to score 21 shots would win. They were playing in the Senior Singles South Vale competition.

Scoring was even in the early stages. Then Richard was leading by three shots at 14-11 but did not score again.

Roger won all remaining ends to win 21-14 and will now take his place in the semi-finals. Congratulations Roger!

If you would like to know more about the club, and the sport of bowls, why not call in on us just for a chat on a Friday evening between 6pm-8pm and ask for Mike Bradley - you will find us directly behind the Leisure Centre.

MB

Barbecue for lady golfers



ON a pleasant Monday evening, a nine hole competition was played on both courses at Cotterell Park.

It was the best three out of four scores using three clubs and a putter.

The first team on the Mackintosh course were Vicki Long, Eluned Rees, Mary Davies and Chris Impey with 46 points.

On the Button course Helen Evans, Anne Morgan, Liz Overton and Helen Ruttlely with 50 points.

The prizes were presented by Jeannette Williams, ladies' captain.



Following this the competition and everyone enjoyed a delicious barbecue. Jeannette gave her a token of appreciation. Margaret Rees was thanked for organising

CB

Victory for Barry Athletic firsts, while seconds are defeated

On Saturday Barry Athletic Cricket Club first XI entertained Ebbw Vale at Barry Island.

On a bright sunny afternoon, they lost the toss and were asked to field first.

Ebbw Vale reached 166 for 6 in their 50 overs with Iqbal (58) and N.Pepper Jnr (54); the best bowlers for Barry were Zia (4 for 5), Guni (2 for 45) and Lloyd Bruce (1 for 19 in his 10 overs).

In reply Barry reached their total for the loss of five wickets with Damon Leake a solid and fluent 55, Guni a fine 37, Nathan Baker 19 and Lee Morgan 13 not out.

The second XI travelled to Dinas Powys. Dinas Powys won the toss and batted first and reached 281 for 7, with Andy Ellis (4 for 58) and Dave Evans (2 for 35) being the main wicket

takers and Kyle Hughes top-scoring with 101 not out for Dinas Powys.

In reply Barry were 199 all out with Ashley Baker scoring a fine 87 and Coughtrey 4 for 17.

This week Barry Athletic first XI travel to Whitchurch Heath with the second XI home to Malpas.

The writer would like to apologise for the article that appeared in

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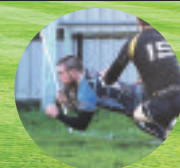
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Two wins on the spin get Lions in gear... now to face the might of the All Blacks!

THE 2017 British & Irish Lions tour of New Zealand has been something of a stop-start affair.

While the weekend team have worked hard to earn victories, the midweek team have been less than successful, having lost their two outings in games where they must have hoped to perform better.

So what better way to warm up for the first test than for the Lions to have put in arguably their two finest performances to date, overpowering the New Zealand Maoris on Saturday by 32 points to 10, and then defeating the Chiefs (who were, admittedly, somewhat understrength) by 34 points to 6.

The Lions' switch into a higher gear couldn't have come at a better time with the first test against the All Blacks on Saturday, and if ever two big performances were needed it was in these games.

There have been plenty of flashes on the tour so far, but it took until

last Saturday for it to form into one solid and satisfying performance against very difficult opposition.

Points win games and while the Lions hadn't been particularly generous defensively, offensively the need to get scores on the board and show their attacking intent was vital.

So racking up 66 points across two games will be a boost for the team, as will the manner of the performances and the way certain individuals have shone through.

On Saturday it was Maro Itoje and Peter O'Mahony in particular who played themselves into serious contention for starting roles against the All Blacks, while Leigh Halfpenny's metronomic boot was a reassuring sight on a tour that has seen the usually-dependable Owen Farrell be less than impressive from the dead ball.

In the backs, the likes of Ben Te'o and Anthony Watson shone, but anyone thinking that Saturday's team were nailed on to start obviously didn't pass the message on to the XV

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that started against the Chiefs on Tuesday.

Starting the midweek game before the first test is often a sure sign that you won't be involved come Saturday, but the performance of many in the red shirt threw a few interesting questions in the air.

Granted it was far different opposition to those faced previously – the Chiefs' team depleted by those who lined up for Maori New Zealand a few days previously – but the manner and tone of the performance indicated that Warren Gatland and his coaches may need to do some last-minute thinking before naming the starting line-up for the All Blacks.

Of note were Liam Williams, finally looking like the player he is on this tour, whose line breaking and deftness under the high ball was a pleasure to watch. It won't be just

Scarlets fans calling for him to make the team.

Jack Nowell's two tries showed his attacking threat when afforded space, while Elliot Daly's versatility will no doubt come into play, the Englishman delivering another strong and solid performance.

It suggests that while numbers one through to eight are pretty much nailed on (the issue of whether Maro Itoje's dynamism and ability to cover several positions is best used in a starting or a replacement capacity is a tricky one, as is the selection of captain Sam Warburton, whose tour has been fragmented due to injury), there is room for manoeuvre in the backs.

Owen Farrell's injury means that it's likely an Irish axis at nine and 10 will start in Connor Murray and Jonny Sexton, but after that the hard questions need to be answered.

Has George North done enough to warrant a starting place in the team? Arguably no, but when on song who better to face head-on the All Blacks?

Who will occupy the centre berths?

Each candidate has made compelling arguments so far, but where do Gatland and his coaches want to take the game – down the route of ballast and brawn, or will they be better served attempting to play their way through the middle and fight for space?

If it seemed relatively difficult naming a test XV at the start of the tour, the last two performances have made it all the more tricky, something that will both delight and beguile the selectors in the lead-up to the team announcement.

It promises to be a thrilling encounter with the world champions, and one that can be faced with much more confidence than in the early part of this tour.

With the Lions seemingly clicking into a higher gear, and the knowledge that a series win over the All Blacks will be both momentous and historic, Saturday can't come soon enough!

SHIELD PROGRESS IS ASSURED FOR BARRY ATHLETIC BOWLERS

BARRY ATHLETIC chalked up a battling 22-shot away victory at Ogmere Vale to progress in the Carruthers Shield and will now face another challenging away trip to Rhymney Gwent in order to go further.

From the start of the match, played in the glorious valley sunshine, the home side came out of the blocks quickly, building up a 15-shot lead in the first four ends as the visiting Athletic players gained the familiarity of the green in order to play their shots with confidence.

As the game developed, the heads gradually saw more of the iconic purple and gold Barry colours in key positions and, as a result, the Athletic were able to claw back the home advantage and build a lead which they were never going to surrender, eventually running out victors by 22 shots after a competitive encounter.

Cornerstone to this success was the pressure built up on the opposition by Richard Bowen's and Robert Horgan's rinks.

Although both rinks started slowly as they built up an understanding of how to play the valley surface, they gradually established an advantage over their opponents and were able to provide the shot advantage to underpin the victory.

Robert Horgan, with young novice Russell Harris on debut and Gwynfor Parr at lead, put together a winning run of seven ends from nine to establish an advantage in their match and finished with a run of four straight winning ends to return a 26-14 scorecard.

Debutant Russell Harris belied his inexperience with an excellent performance to repay the selectors faith in his potential and will now surely be a valuable member of the first team squad for the future.

Richard Bowen, with the experience of Geoff Whittaker returning at third, had a tough battle over the opening ends against Jonathan Clayton and former international Mal Goss but had eked out a 10-7 advantage over the home team by the 10th end.

The rink, with Tim Morgan at lead and Lol Paige at second, then moved through the gears to win seven ends in a row, including three consecutive three-shot wins to build a 23-7 shot advantage by the 17th end, eventually returning a winning 27-9 scorecard.

Glyn Thomas' rink had a tough battle with home captain Jarrad Jones, with the lead changing hands several times, but always remaining close.

However a crucial four shots on the 20th end and a single on the final end secured the win and provided another winning scorecard by 19-16.

Martin Clarke fought hard to restrict the free-scoring of Paul Jones's rink from the start and was always looking at a deficit following a start which saw the home side build up a 14-5 lead after eight ends.

However, the experienced back pairing of Martin and former club skipper Chris Wright saw them restrict their opponents over the remaining ends to help secure an important victory by 22 shots.

The Barry Athletic selectors will have been pleased to see the balance of experience and potential blend so well in this difficult away fixture, with many players endorsing their selections with fine performances, on a surface where accuracy and execution was key.

There was similar celebration at the 4Wood green at Barry where the Athletic's PG2 inflicted a comprehensive defeat on league leaders Cardiff, taking 13 of the 14 points available and a winning margin of 29 shots.

That result has pushed the Athletic right

up the table and has created a realistic opportunity to secure an immediate return to the top flight – an achievable goal after an indifferent start to the season.

The points machine that is David Snelling's rink secured yet another victory on the fast running home surface by 26-18.

However it was Mike Vaughan's rink that took top rink honours as they posted a big win by 29-12 shots; with experienced former international Gareth Humphreys at third, Mike's rink proved too strong for the visitors from the first end to the last, largely as a result of the accurate leading of Phil Killin and the support work of Slim Jones.

Paul Webley, with Steve Mckernan having a run out at third, secured a further two points for the Athletic by returning a winning card of 20-16 and Albert Mintern's rink were unfortunate in allowing a significant lead to be pulled back, dropping a three on the last end to draw their match against the visiting league leaders 27-27.

However with many strong performances in evidence across the four rinks, there will be many players pushing for first team action in the next couple of weeks.

Many of the Barry Athletic players have reached the business end of the county competitions this week.

In the semi-final of the singles, Chris Wright and his brother David join Martin Clarke to ensure the Athletic will have at least one place in the south Vale final.

Elsewhere, Martin will join the experienced Richard Bowen, Glyn Thomas and Robert Horgan to battle out in the Fours semi final away at Dinas Powys.

With just a couple of weeks left in the county competitions, the club will be looking to add to their haul of 83 county titles with further honours and representation at the National Finals at Llandrindod.

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